

Teacher contract dispute causes mixed reactions

By Sally Vales

Author's Note: At prestine, contract talks between Joliet Junior College teachers and the administration were continuing. Many authorities have been interviewed on the strained relations with negotiations. Their comments are presented in detail in this story.

J. Q. Adams, director of minority and intercultural affairs, best sums up the current situation with the teachers' contract talks.

"Everybody is on pins and needles. There is a tremendous amount of anxiety," Adams said.

He said that the biggest problem facing everyone is "too few people know what's going on. It creates rumors."

Adams is not involved in negotiations, but reflects upon the efficiency of the college being sacrificed due to the unsettled contract. Classes are being disrupted, teacher-based committees are collapsing, and teacher morale is going downhill, Adams said.

The present situation "puts the school on hold in suspended animation," he said.

He also said that the school must go on in spite of what is happening.

"In this situation, we forget who we're here for," he said.

A tentative contract agreement was reached in April 1986. The problem occurred in not agreeing on a clause or clauses in the proposal. One clause is the hiring of new faculty in the Fitness Center and Academic Skills Center to work 35 hours a week. The assignment of the 35 hours would include time for planning, preparation, and assessment of students.

The faculty member assigned to the position would perform individual and small group tutoring (fewer than six students), remediation and learning enhancement services rather than formal classroom assignments.

The argument is that the hours stated are inappropriate to accurately plan and prepare daily sessions, according to the teachers.

"We've put out memos explaining the 35 hour issue," said Paul Brinkman, vice president of business and financial affairs.

While teachers agree, students wonder why and what is happening. The teachers are wearing black arm bands to signify that JJC is dying. "The morale around here is at an all time low," said Linda Padilla.

Teachers have refused to participate in upcoming college events such as the annual math contest as well as the activities for community college week.

Students are asking questions and are very confused. To assist in helping answer their questions, the committee of Students for Education has been formed. A student rally, sponsored by the committee and the Student Government Association was held Jan. 28. The students in the committee have passed out yellow armbands to signify negotiations are to continue. They also have had students sign petitions. A table is located in D-Mall with more information.

Dave Furnish and Hope Voss have made quite an effort to make students aware of the current situation.

"We want to let the students behind us so we can represent the majority," said Furnish.

The basic concern of students is that if a strike should occur what would happen to transfer students? Will students get a refund? How long would the strike last? Would part-time teachers take over?

"Knowing something is better than knowing nothing," said Furnish.

As of prestine, it was known that attorney Fred Lilton, negotiator for the board would be present at the student rally.

Dr. Jocelyn Ainley, vice president of student affairs, reflected upon the first mention of the rally.

"I thought it was unfortunate that I had no inkling," said Ainley.

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He said that students approach him saying their teachers told them not to buy books because they won't need them. The teachers are also saying that Wharrise is not doing his job to inform students.

"Every executive session board meeting, I'd voice the students' opinions and concerns. I was trying to inform the board," Wharrise said. He said that the student trustees position is to inform the board, not the students.

Wharrise has been talked with many students in a reasonable amount of time about the contract negotiations. It hasn't been until recently that students have been approaching him with questions.

As Wharrise understands it, if the teachers do strike, part-time teachers will substitute.

JJC President, Dr. Raymond Pietak, said, "I think it's very timely" in reference to the students taking part in wanting to get questions answered.

He summed up that the reason the specifics in negotiation haven't been published was, "In collective bargaining between two parties, you bargain at the table, not outside."

Pietak is upset about the current situation. "In general, I am disappointed we haven't brought this to a conclusion." He remarked about the tentative agreement and noted that the faculty has to start trusting the board.

Should negotiations last, Pietak said that the administration has had a strike plan in reserve for quite some time.

Negotiations to continue between Union, Board

By Donna Larkin

Negotiations began in February, 1986 between the Joliet Junior College Teachers' Union and the JJC Board of Trustees to create a contract to replace the teachers' current contract which would terminate in May, 1988.

After nearly a year of negotiating, the Union and Board have still not agreed upon a contract which would be acceptable to both sides. On January 12, the Union empowered their executive board to call a strike.

The Board has made three offers to the Union. Two of these offers were voted down by the Union, and one offer was failed.

Dave LaLond, newly elected president of the Union, said that the Union was originally agitated by the new policies which the Board has placed in the contract. As time went on, however, other issues have also kept the sides from reaching an agreement, LaLond said.

One of the issues being negotiated is Board's proposal to have certain teachers work a 35 hour week instead of a week based on credit hours taught.

Currently the standard procedure of teachers is to prepare one hour for each credit hour of teaching. Therefore, an instructor teaching 15 credit hours is actually working 30 hours. Each instructor has five hours of office time per week also, so the total working time is increased to 35 hours per week.

The Union is concerned that the new proposal has the potential to have the teachers work up to 75 hours per week. 35 hours in

class, 35 hours preparing for class, and five hours office time, LaLond said.

Because of the teachers' displeasure with negotiations thus far, the teachers have chosen to take the following actions to show their displeasure.

- * An upcoming math contest and team science competitions will have cancelled.
- * Teachers will not participate in the curriculum committee, academic standards committee, and other standing committees.
- * Course descriptions will not be updated as requested by the administration.
- * Teachers will not participate in community college week.
- * Teachers will not participate in student recruitment or other school advertising activities.

LaLond said that the actions are necessary. Although in the long run some actions, such as the curriculum committee which approves new courses, may eventually hurt new students.

Current plans call for a meeting with the federal mediator. If the meeting shows an attempt at compromise, then negotiations will not be a strike. However, if the two sides do not show signs of compromise, a strike is possible.

"We Union would like to avoid a strike, but if necessary we will go on a strike," LaLond said.

If a strike does occur, LaLond said it is hard to determine how long it could last but he said that "whether the faculty or the administration wants a prolonged strike."

Trustee Gillespie faces charges

By John Buell

Joliet Junior College Trustee Rosalyn Gillespie and Samuel Jones, a security employee of the Illinois Youth Center, appeared in court Jan. 23 to face charges of bribery and conspiracy.

According to Joliet Herald-News reports, arrest warrants for Gillespie and Jones, both of Joliet, were issued Dec. 19 through the Will County Circuit Court.

Both Gillespie and Jones are free on \$5,000 signature bonds. The warrants were issued at the request of Ron Wilson of the Illinois State Police Department of Internal Affairs. Wilson told the Will County State's Attorney's Office that Gillespie met with Booker Matthews, head of security at the Youth Center Nov. 7. Gillespie allegedly paid Matthews \$400 toward a bribe of \$1,000 to get Jones a better job or a promotion of some kind at the youth center. Matthews went to his superiors about the incident, who immediately got in touch with the Illinois Department of Corrections, which is in Springfield, setting off the internal affairs investigation, said former State's Attorney Edward Petka. The state's attorney said that eavesdropping and videotaping were used in the investigation. At a preliminary hearing Jan. 23 in a Will County Circuit Court probable cause was found for further proceedings in the case.

Gillespie and Jones will appear today for arraignment at 9:30 a.m.

"The issue of probable cause for Rosalyn Gillespie is much easier to make. As to Mr. Jones, I think it's a much more difficult question," said Associate Judge Thomas Evert.

Based on my review of the evidence I will enter a plea (to the charges) before

Judge Robert Bucher.

If the defendants are convicted of bribery that could mean a prison sentence of up to seven years, and if they are convicted of conspiracy, the time spent in prison could add up to ten years.

Gillespie has been on the JJC board since 1981. Since she has been elected to the board she has been an unsuccessful candidate for the Joliet Township Board and Will County Board.

She will be running for the Joliet City Council in the Feb. 24 primary.



Gillespie

A student group has been formed to help inform other students about ongoing situations between the teachers and the JJC Board of Trustees.

The group organized the student rally which was held on Jan. 28.

Letters to the editor

No tennis this year

Dear Editor,
The JJC faculty has instructed us to inform you that the Union has attempted to resume the Men's Tennis Team for this year by offering to provide the needed funds.

The Board was alerted to this possibility at their Retreat on November 22. The Trustees were warned that time was running out and that some cooperation from the administration was required.

Dr. Pietak finally notified our committee on December 4 that a Union-financed tennis team could not be allowed to represent Joliet Junior College. The president's rationale was that money had not been the reason the team had been killed, that it was a matter of principle: He wants to do it his way.

This logic reminds us of Marie Antoinette's "Let them (the Habbles) eat cake." The Union suspects that the same kind of arrogance is involved in Pietak's attitude.

We are sorry to have lost both the JJC tennis players and Coach Carlson to Moraine Valley. We sympathize with the players, their parents, friends and fans for their and our inability to make President Pietak care.

Sincerely,
Gilbert Bell, John Corradate,
Tim Vanderroll, John Sobart,
Tim Helton
Union Committee To
Reinstate Tennis

More sports needed

I am really bothered by the fact that there are 11 cross country teams forming here at school. In discussing this problem with some of the school faculty, I have found out that there is a shortage of money so the administration has decided to cut out a lot of sports.

I think that something should be done about this problem, perhaps having some kind of fund raiser to get the money so we can get back our cross country and track teams, both men's and women's, so our school will have some sports other than the few that are left.

Truly yours,
Carol Delrose

Textbook costs

Dear Editor:
The cost of textbooks is a growing problem here at the college. Textbooks are very expensive to buy. For example, this semester I paid \$90.00 for my books. I think textbooks should be cheaper than that. Besides, many times texts are not used in class. The teachers use written assignments and handouts instead.

I think something should be done about this problem. I suggest that the bookstore rent books to students. The money from the rent can be used to buy new textbooks when they are needed.

Sincerely yours,
Alfred Brown



To Brian Winterbottom
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To Julie, the person that brings more happiness to my life than I've felt in a long time.

I love you,
Wayne

Disappointed with talks

Dear Editor:
I am really disappointed in the possibility of a teacher strike. I never would have expected something like this in college. There is no excuse for the faculty salaries "to be lagging behind institutions in the area and not even be competitive with high schools," as stated in the Blazer. It just doesn't make sense to me because the students have to pay fees. So, where is the money going?

The strike will not only affect the teachers but also the students. It is unfair to the students who are in the middle. What if a strike causes us to miss classes because the Board is unable to handle the situation any better? We students should take a stand and fight for what we think is right. Let's get together and write the Board members to settle with the faculty and avoid a strike.

Sincerely yours,
Melany Patrice Bellmon

Students will suffer

Dear Editor:
I am concerned over the possibility of a teachers' strike here at Joliet Junior College. It seems quite clear that those who are going to suffer from this the most are the students.

The possibility of a teachers' strike seems more likely each day. I understand that the teachers have been fighting for a new contract, and their going on strike is their way of showing the Board they won't stand for the proposed contract. But the ones who are going to be hurt the most are the students. I certainly do not want to come to school over spring break. It really isn't fair especially to those with holiday plans. Worst of all would be going into the summer to finish an earlier semester. In conclusion, I certainly hope that the teachers do not go on strike because it seems that students will benefit least from it.

Sincerely yours,
Lynn Douglas

Poor progress

Dear Editor:
I am reacting to the poor progress of the contract negotiations between the Board of Trustees and the faculty of Joliet Junior College. These negotiations have been going on since last February. I feel it is time that the Board start some serious negotiations so the teachers won't go out on strike.

I feel since the Board and the faculty have been negotiating since February, there should have been a contract by now. It is a known fact that the Board has yet to make an offer to the faculty, a reasonable offer, that is, if the teachers strike, the students will be caught in the middle. Is that fair?

Sincerely,
Sharon Irwin

More input

Dear Editor:
I am a first-year student here at the college and have enjoyed my first semester. But, like many other students I would like more input about the teacher strike.

We heard about it at the beginning of the school year and are glad there has been no strike to date. Now, students have paid a lot for classes and books, not counting all the hard work that they put in.

The situation is not just fair to students, but neither is it fair to hard-working teachers. Let's get on and finish this term. Sincerely yours,
Edgar Galicia



Larkin Laments

By Donna Larkin, Editor

With contract talks still not settled between the Joliet Junior College Board of Trustees and the JJC Teachers' Union, students are again asking, "Just what is going on with negotiations?"

The Blazer did report on the situation last semester. Unfortunately, the Blazer, like JJC students, was not provided with much information about the progress of the talks.

On the first day of classes last semester, representatives of the teachers' union handed out papers to students, informing them of the situation. The only information the papers provided was that the teachers had been negotiating since February, 1986, and an agreement had not been reached.

Blazer reporters have talked to Paul Johnson, past president of the JJC Teachers' Union, who at one time was heard saying that he had "an important story to tell." Nonetheless, Johnson's story is always the same - there hasn't been a settlement made. Johnson would not say anything about why the offers were rejected, and commented very little on the situation.

If an attempt to get the administration's side of the story, I spoke with JJC's president Raymond Pietak in September. He would not comment, but referred me to Fred Lifton, who is representing the school. Lifton has seldom been available.

Blazer's View

With a new semester just beginning, a common problem with the identification of the Kaskaskia building on the school schedules has resurfaced.

The Kaskaskia building is referred to as "KK" on student printouts and is often confused with the K building. A number of students have missed classes due to the confusing abbreviation on schedules. Many students do not realize that the green buildings are used as classrooms and therefore assume the printout was a misprint and go to the K building.

Joliet Junior College should use a different abbreviation for the Kaskaskia building. By using a different abbreviation the confusion may be eliminated.

after the secretary asks who's calling.

Board members also refused to comment on the situation, saying that Lifton was handling the situation.

This semester it looks like public awareness is changing. A new Union President, Dave LaLond, took office, and willingly spoke with me about the current situation. LaLond also explained the issues to me.

Of course, he did not tell me all of the details, but he did seem more eager to let the students know the current situation and make sure they understand the board's side.

Last semester, Johnson circulated a notice to students which stated that the union was filing the necessary paperwork so a strike could be called if the need arose. The notice also gave the addresses of the board members so the students could write and ask the board to present a "fair" contract to the union. The problem was that last semester the union did not give the students enough information so they could decide whether a fair contract had been offered or not.

Hopefully this semester that is changing, and both sides will release information to the students so we can be better informed on an issue which greatly affects us.

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Team places 15th in nation

The Joliet Junior College Livestock Judging team recently participated in the most prestigious National Contest of the year. The National Western Livestock Show and Kooze hosts this Annual Invitational Judging Contest where only the top 28 teams in the Nation qualify for competition. This year JJC qualified among the nation's best.

The contest, which was held in Denver, was very competitive. Participating teams came from Illinois to California. As a team, the JJC Livestock Judging Team finished seventh place in sheep, 10th in oral reasons, and 15th in cattle and swine. The team's overall standing of 15th place qualified them to participate in the 1988 contest.

JJC's Rob Panning placed second in the sheep division, and Ruben Dittmer placed 16th in cattle and oral reasons. Dittmer also finished 11th overall, and was only one point away from placing as one of the top 10 individuals in the nation.

The team's future Spring contests include the Elite Evaluation Clinic in Madison, Wisconsin; the Illinois State University Invitational; the Southern Illinois University Invitational, and the NACTA in Oklahoma.

Jerry Cassidy is the coach of the JJC Livestock Judging Team.

Medieval Studies proposed major

The aim of Wesleyan's proposed major program in Medieval Studies, the result of years of discussions by a group of professors, is to provide a coherent context of course offerings and specific objectives.

The proposal would unite professors who share common interests within the field but are isolated in separate departments. For the student pursuing a medieval-related major, the problems of a university major are eliminated.

The proposal is a response to the increasing popularity of the medieval courses at Wesleyan, classes which are informally grouped under the auspices of "medieval studies." It reflects a trend of growing interest in the period among the academic community at large. Fifteen students are currently studying to complete either a university major or medieval concentration within another department.

The student seeking a medieval studies major would receive specialized instruction in four fields of study which fall within the 500AD to 1500AD timeframe. The areas are art history and archaeology, history, language and literature, and philosophy and religion. The student would be expected to learn a second language and encouraged to spend a semester abroad. The program would have minimal budgetary implications. The proposal states that a medieval studies program could now be established without additional faculty positions and without additional courses.

Student government notes

By Elaine Pustyna

Wanda Jones and Steve Wharrie chaired the January 14th Student Government meeting. Wanda reported that Jon Laureta, the hypnotist who came to the college cafeteria January 12th, was a big success. She also reported that a Spring Fling will be held the first week in May.

Tern Cullen, director from the Alumni office and job placement, and Henry Phildr talked about College Week, which runs through Feb. 7. Sunday, February 1 started with a scholarship awards ceremony. Terri suggested that Student Government could go around campus with a video recorder and ask students questions about the future and play it back in the TV room for other students to view. It was later suggested that they publish it in

the Blazer instead of waiting it out. TV Any suggestions will be taken in Feb. 1987.

Movies will still be shown on the bridge every Friday from 10-12. Anyone who is interested in helping with the movies should contact Wanda Jones or Sylvian Sauriez.

Dave Furnish approached SGA about the teacher's strike. He said the students were not well informed on some of the issues and felt that in the job of SGA to become more involved. He suggested on having a student rally with board representatives to talk about issues and ask the union president to speak at a SGA meeting.

It was finally suggested that a panel discussion should be held in the theater with representatives from both sides.

Electronic Engineering Tour

On Friday, January 19, students from the EET (Electronics Engineering Technology) Club and the Automated Systems Club toured Portec's Automate

Systems Division in Little, Illinois. Ms. Gwen Gault, Portec's Employee Relations Supervisor, organized a complete tour of the facility. Students and instructors were briefed by Portec personnel from Software Engineering, CAD (Computer Aided Design), Production, and Service. Portec's High Tech products are used extensively as automated material movers in the manufacturing industries.

Veteran's Club

Attention all veterans: Will McLenure and Todary Presswood are attempting to form a club so that veterans may socialize and support causes here at JJC and in the community, and also be supported.

Due to a possible teachers' strike, veterans' benefits will be directly affected. A table will be set up on the concourse thru Feb. 13 to sign up and inform veterans.

Help and support for veterans is badly needed.

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Not another game review

By Ed Wisniewski

Today there are so many games being sold by discount houses, toy stores, hobby shops, and corner drug stores that it is confusing for consumers to make an educated decision about the product they are buying. Along with the regular board games on the market, there are complex wargames, imaginative and interesting role-playing games, unique card games, and riffs off of popular TV shows and cartoon characters. The issue we are going to look at is the emergence of some very good board games that have been introduced onto the market within the last three years.

Axis & Allies. Milton Brady for many years has put out a steady stream of conventional and entertaining games. The problem with these games becomes apparent when they start depending on good dice rolls rather than cold calculating strategy for victory. This changed when they put out their gamemaster or general line of board games that are entertaining, intense and require the players to use their heads rather than dice to assure victory.

Axis & Allies was the first in the gamemaster series and is the best. The time is 1942, the world is at war and the players must make key decisions that effect the conduct of the war. Players take the position of one of the five major super powers involved in the conflict: Japan, America, Germany, England and the Soviet Union. Each country then has a certain amount of industrial production credits which they use to purchase tanks, infantry, planes, ships, carriers, and special research projects used to develop rockets, long range bombers, and industrial technology. Each player builds up his army and invades his opponent's territory. With each conquered territory comes more industrial production credits, while your opponent loses some. The Allies try to crush Germany & Japan while the axis powers try to defeat the Allies. A stupid move on any player's part could mean disaster and eventually defeat. The game is well balanced and realistic to the strategic situation at the time. A must for veteran of the Axis War II buff and a game that, once learned, never gets dull. It costs \$28 and is found at toy stores and hobby shops.

Taiwan. Not many companies have put out fantasy board games but a small company called Games Workshop did and

it is fun, interesting, and rather unique. The pieces have special powers and abilities and get stronger as the game continues. The different pieces, known as characters, can recruit followers, collect magical objects, gain treasure, and fight monsters on their way to reaching the ultimate goal of reaching the center of the board so that they can destroy their opposition in one mighty blow and win the game. Players can fight each other when they occupy the same space and the victor gets to collect treasures from his vanquished foe. At times the game relies too much on luck and not enough on strategy but it is still a good game. It sells for about \$15 and is found at most hobby shops.

Nuclear Escalation. The final game in this issue is a nifty and strategic game of super power conflict that is a throw back to the film *Dr. Strangelove*. A game for two to six players, each player represents a major super power who through the use of crafty politics, propaganda, and the creative use of nuclear weapons, tries to dominate the world. To dominate the world, you must subvert your enemies' populations away from him or nuke him in to the stone age. Each player is dealt nine cards with missiles and warheads, along with secrets, spies, and propaganda to confuse your enemies. The players are also given population cards that represent millions of people. Play is simple, if you launch a missile attach a warhead that is the right size to it, and announce which player you wish to deep fry. Damage then results, and a certain number of his population dies. If you use propaganda against your enemy, then just take the allotted amount of his people away from him and keep it for yourself.

The game makes allowances for B-1 bombers, MX missiles, germ warfare, fallout, defecting athletes, and the inconvenient presence of cruise missiles and star wars defense programs. If a player dies, no problem, he gets his funeral strikes in which all of the missiles and warheads that he didn't use are launched at random. Most of the time that this game is played there aren't any winners, everyone is destroyed, as it should be because even though this game is incredibly funny it also teaches a practical message that a nuclear war can be won. Good clean old war fun. *Nuclear Escalation* can be found at most good hobby shops for about \$12.98.

Academic preparation aid to marginal students

The University of Virginia's transition program, which College of Arts and Sciences Dean Alexander Sedgwick said will alleviate the stress on first-year students who may be "marginal" in their academic preparation, will be introduced to the faculty in the hope that it will be passed in the Spring.

"We would like to get it approved sometime in March so it can be implemented for the next entering class," Sedgwick said. The new initiative will use as a foundation the summer program for entering students - whose participants Sedgwick said graduate at a higher rate than members of the general student population.

"We are going to create a package with intensive advising and new courses and present it to the faculty," Sedgwick said. Whether or not they will approve the proposal in its proposed form remains to be seen, he said. Some faculty members may object to the idea of adding courses they deem remedial to the curriculum.

This is problematic. What we have here to say is that a student take these courses above and beyond the 120 hours required for graduation. We need a program like this to facilitate the transition of some students. We seek heterogeneity within our student body," he said. If we insisted on every student having the mean SAT scores of 1200 combined, for instance, we would not admit marginal students.

"We also can't fill our classes with Northern Virginia students who are from schools that are better than those in the rest of the state," Sedgwick added. "If we want to have this kind of heterogeneous student body, we have to have programs for everyone."

Campus Paperback Bestsellers

1. *Bleem County Bleem*, by Dennis Goodrich (Little, Brown, \$2.95). (Bleem County comes again.)
2. *It Came From the Far Side*, by Gary Larson (Andrews, McMeel & Partners, \$5.95). The latest cartoons from the Far Side.
3. *The Far Side*, by Gary Larson (Andrews, McMeel & Partners, \$5.95). Collection of Far Side cartoons.
4. *The Hunt for Red October*, by Tom Clancy (Bantam, \$4.50). Old drama. So far a novel.
5. *The Accidental Tourist*, by Anne Tyler (Bantam, \$4.50). The irresistible charm of a nuclear submarine.
6. *Gatekeeper*, by Kurt Vonnegut (Dial, \$4.50). Marrying personal adventures.
7. *With All the Heart*, by David Shields (North, \$12.95). Fiction in East Africa and across the Atlantic, in the 1920s.
8. *Scarlett*, by Scarlett O'Hara (Dial, \$4.95). Behind the scenes of a historical novel.
9. *Women who Love too Much*, by Robert Harwood (Penguin, \$4.50). How to avoid the pitfalls of unrequited love.
10. *The Blackboard Jungle*, by Stephen King (NAL/Scribner, \$5.95). The story of the first of his novels.

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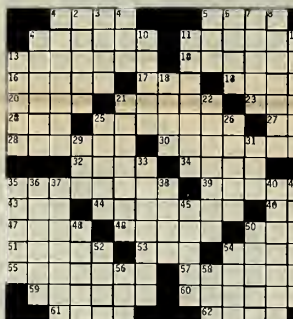
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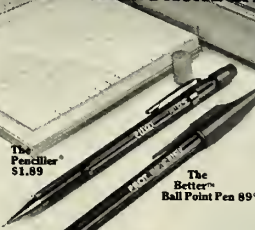
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- 27 — room
- 28 Stretching muscle
- 30 Jim Thorpe's school
- 32 Sandbar tree
- 34 Pierre's state (abbr.)
- 35 — activities
- 39 Spain and Portugal
- 40 Peer group's mother
- 41 Natter and Thump
- 42 First most common written word
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- 49 Bucket
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Photo Opinion

By John Wilker

First of all let me be one of the many to welcome everyone to the Spring semester here at JUCO (oh boy!). This semester I plan on investigating many of the important and thought-provoking questions surrounding JUCO and its people. But I am new here and this is my first experience at journalism, so please bear with me. So, when you see someone walking around with a camera and a notebook asking around if they would like to appear in the blazer, and usually they'll turn me down, please help me out and volunteer. This is a tough job.

Thanks for reading, if you are and if you aren't please start.

Today's question is: "What are you planning to major in and how is JJC helping you toward your plans?"



RAY

KOCHWAH: am planning on majoring in accounting, and the counselors have helped in choosing my classes so that when I transfer to a bigger school I will have no problems.



RAY

MOLETTE: "Computer science is my major. JJC is helping me with my credits so when I go to a regular college I'll be more familiar with my major."



TIM

HUEST: "I'm a business major and for now JJC is helping me to decide what I need for my future. But if the teachers decide to strike, it will definitely hurt more than help. I understand why the teachers want to strike and think the board should do a better job to compromise with the teachers even if it requires a tuition increase."



ALF

BROWN: "I'm majoring in Business Management. It's giving me a good foundation in Business and helping my GPA so that I can transfer to Michigan and continue my studies."



BRYAN

SWARTZ: "I'm majoring in accounting. JJC is helping me get the basics. I also have smaller classes so there is more communication between student and teacher."



COUNS

BOB: "What I'm majoring in is none of your business, and the only thing JJC is helping me with is my social life so that when I transfer to a real school I'll have more experiences to draw upon."

By Laura Horton

It's not very often that a college student gets a chance to tour Great Britain unless he is independently wealthy or very lucky. I was very lucky. I had heard about the Joliet Junior College Player's annual trip in August of 1985, and during the school year I helped raise funds for this special event. High cost, terrorism in general, the Libyan crisis specifically, and lack of interest reduced the number of participants through the year from twenty to seven. Thus, on May 19, 1986, I left Chicago's O'Hare International Airport with six other eager and lucky college students.

After an eight hour flight over the Atlantic, the plane circled London's Heathrow Airport for our descent. But a very heavy storm had been pouring down, and in the midst of hazy dark clouds, a crash of thunder sounded as if it had come from the section behind us. Then a finely shiver rose up my back. So far my first flying experience has been exciting, but now I was a little worried and the captain did nothing to ease my fears. "Ladies and gentlemen," he said, "We've just experienced a small lightning strike. Nothing to be alarmed about, but I am taking the plane back up to 30,000 feet to circle back around for a second pass at Heathrow Airport." Immediately, the passengers began talking among themselves and looking out the windows, seeing nothing but the dense clouds. But as the plane climbed higher, the heavy, dark clouds gave way to lighter ones, and those gave way to bright sunlight and blue sky. Eventually, our plane made it through the storm and landed safely in London.

After retrieving our luggage, the seven of us rode for forty minutes on a subway, or tube as they call it. The weather was just what I had expected, rain and clouds. When we arrived at our destination, we gathered up the baggage, left the train and returned to street level. The city reminded me of very old parts of Chicago, until I heard the people's voices. Not many people in Chicago speak with an accent as beautiful as the British.

Besides being wet, cold, and slightly

resembling Chicago, the city of London was noisy. Motor cars by the dozens crowded each block with impatient motorists in the drivers' seats.

Our hotel was set back from the main streets in Oxford Circus, a more residential section of London. The hotel was once a private hospital that had been converted into a hotel, thus the name hotel. The rooms were not very large, but were comfortable.

In the course of ten days, we toured four castles, three elms, saw day plays, and ate at twenty different restaurants. Out of the first attractions we toured was the Tower of London. The large fortress-style complex has been used over the centuries as a castle, a fortress, and a prison. The tower itself is a square building with four rounded towers on the corners. Inside the building is housed the famous Crown Jewels. Suits of armor, golden crowns with jeweled headdresses, crowns of diamonds and other precious stones, along with royal ceremonial robes were encased in glass displays.

One of the most interesting restaurants we dined in was called Dickens' Inn by the Harbor. It was a quaint three-story building located at the tip of St. Catherine's Harbor, off the Thames river.

Leaving the cold and rain outside, we entered the warm, smoke-filled room and discovered that the first floor was strictly a tavern. Aside from being thick with smoke, the air also smelled strongly of bitter's Bar, a warm and spicy tasting beer, very different from the beer in the US. The light was dim and the ceiling low. The solid wooden floor was covered with a thick layer of saw dust which seemed to add to the atmosphere of the place. All it needed was a couple of large, old men, smoking wood-burned pipes and singing old songs, dressed in the traditional clothes of the 1600's.

The second floor was called the Pickwick Room and had several small long oak tables set out with chairs. We learned that this part of the restaurant had a delectable menu of old-world dishes to choose from. Finally, the third floor housed the Dickens' Room and only served

seafood dishes.

After our second day, the sun came out and on several of our outdoor tours we managed to get a light sunbath on our faces. Due to the high amount of rain the flowers in London are quite large and several of the parks were gorgeous, near two wide sidewalks crossed through the park with rows of autumn strike tulips, roses, and several other species of flowers along the side.

Although the city of London was beautiful, it was also very dirty. From years of collecting coal for heat, the buildings were stained a smoky black. The air in the city smelled of carbon monoxide from all the traffic that passes through, and at the end of the day, as I washed my face, a thin layer of grays, dirty soot would wipe off into the washcloth.

At the end of my ten day visit, I was very homesick and eager to be with my family again. Besides I had nine rolls of film to develop! But if the chance to visit England ever arises again, I'd be the first in line.

Keeping a major

Continued ideas for changing or keeping the major, part of the Committee on Educational Policy's ongoing Williams College curriculum review, include the number of courses required for the major. The majority of the faculty agrees that the number of courses required for the major should not be reduced below the present level of nine or ten.

Other faculty members, who may remember when the number of required courses for a major was dropped from 12 to nine, seem to be in favor of raising the number of courses required for the major. Philosophy professor Lucio Vercellotti, however, said he believes the purpose of an undergraduate education is to give the students exposure to a discipline, not to provide the student with a career. He said students need an idea of what it means to be a professional in one field.

The very nature of different disciplines makes the comparison of continuity and accumulation of courses between departments a problem, according to members of the CEP. A difference exists between disciplines such as the social sciences, where depth is fairly well established. Several faculty members warned against attempting to apply one definition of depth to all these groups.

One of the CEP's biggest concerns, in terms of cumulative rigor, is the integrity of the course numbering system, especially in two- and three-semester level courses. In an extreme example, the committee cited one department's decision to give senior course in one department and was cross-listed as a two-semester level course in another department.

Other concerns exist in many departments, the major requirements are so broad that majors do not have any basic knowledge in common. CEP members noted that of the seven largest departments, only psychology has one senior seminar. The other departments offer a choice of several seminars.

The other question on which the faculty focused was double majors and the possibility of replacing them with a minor. Most senior members seemed to be very opposed to the double major, with Political Science professor Kurt Tauber claiming the students would be double majoring simply to do so further their career possibilities. Most faculty believed a minor would take the pressure off of the students to double major. Economics professor Gordon Winston said that the minor would be advantageous in helping to ascertain which students in a department are major or less serious.

He also expressed his fear that the minor might lead more students away from the smaller departments and into the more career-oriented majors. English department chairman Peter Herck suggested that the minor might be used as a way of achieving the discipline's requirements. He said a minor could be required in a different division than a student's major or the administration could insist on interdisciplinary minors.

Financial aid sources available

By Katie Larkin

There are more than 12 million citizens in the United States continuing their education beyond high school this year.

As people are becoming increasingly aware that higher education reaps larger benefits, they are also realizing that they must pay an expensive price to do so. Since the sky-high college tuition cost can strike a barrier for the average income student, financial aid can provide a great assistance to those who wish to continue their learning.

There are many scholarships, grants, and funds available to students specifically who will be 1987-88 freshmen at Joliet Junior College. An information booklet can be obtained in the Financial Aid Office which contains a list of financial and sources. Also available is a general scholarship application which is due by July 1, 1987.

There are other financial aid sources offered to all JJC students. One type of student employment available is the Work Scholarship Program. Students may possibly qualify for a work scholarship if they are not receiving federal or state aid and prove not to be eligible for federal assistance. The other type of student employment is the Federal Work Study. An hourly wage is paid to those who qualify on the basis of financial need.

The Pell Grant is another financial source to help pay for education beyond high school. However, unlike a loan, this grant does not have to be paid back. The

amount a Pell Grant student receives depends on the economic status reported on the grant application, whether a full time or part-time student, how long he/she's enrollment will be between July 1 of one year and June 30 of the following year, and the costs of education at the particular school.

Copies of Pell Grant applications are available from post secondary educational institutions, high schools, Talent Search, Upward Bound projects and public libraries or by writing to PO Box 84, Washington, DC 20044. After approximately four to six weeks, the student should receive notification of eligibility. The 1987-88 application must be received by May 1, 1987.

Other sources of aid include scholarships such as the Illinois State Scholarship, for example. Interested students can apply for a state scholarship by completing an application and submitting it to the State Scholarship Commission prior to Oct. 1 of the year they are requesting financial aid. Application for these types of scholarships can be obtained from high school counselors and the Financial Aid Office.

Any student who wishes to be provided financial assistance for the upcoming 1987-88 semester should contact the Financial Aid Office to find the most beneficial aid for his/her.

High school seniors planning to attend JJC in the fall must first be able to obtain financial aid and can do so through their high school guidance counselor.



By Wayne Ceranek
Features Editor

Let loose

Well, here we are again, back already! BRACOCK! I'm sure you know how I feel. Can I ask the administration a quick question? Why did Pietak get a raise, but the teachers don't get one? What did he do that was so special? I mean sure he may be the president and all that, but without the teachers what would he be president of? Well with that out of the way if anyone finds me cut up into little tiny pieces you'll know why.

By the way, the tally has been raised, now five people read my column. Come on people, do you think that I do this for my health? Hell no, I do it because I'm a conceited ego-monger that likes to see his name in print, and I love praise, so don't write your name on a piece of paper and drop it off at the Blazer office (Room G-1008). Pretty please!

And for those of you out there that (perish the thought!) like Christmas, you'll

be happy to know that my Santa Claus Trapper Claws didn't work and that unfortunately he'll be back again next year, spreading that unhealthy good cheer and brotherly love. Paugh!

By the way I thought that some of you might be interested in finding out what I received for Christmas, so I've compiled a little list. Have any of you out there (all five of you) noticed that I use a lot of lists? A friend of mine says I have to have lists to keep track of my lists. He's right. But I degress (that's sick), back to the subject.

1) A bright electric orange day-glow necktie (thanks anyway, Ed).

2) A tape cassette of my favorite band, the Deathbunches with their number one hit single "Mutilate." Thanks mom.

3) A box of monogrammed Kleenex. No, really. This gift shouldn't be sneezed at. Sorry.

4) A Splashdance. It's one of those radios that stick to the wall in the shower. Just what I need, what better place to dance than a wet slippery surface next to a large glass door.

5) A wicker toilet seat, what a pain in the ... Very funny Dave, are you trying to tell me something?

6) A Chia Pet. I always hated those commercials. I'm going to let it grow and then send it in to David Letterman so he can drop it off the (farsutary) tower.

7) A fur sink. Don't ask me - I don't know and I really don't care to find out.

8) Ginsu II. I always wanted a set of these knives ever since I was little. Now I can cut thru a tin can or a nail. Don't ask me why I want it, it just seemed neat at the time.

9) A Venus Flytrap. I named it Audrey, but right now it seems kind of sick.

10) 50,000 candy canes. I'll see one more candy cane I'm going to use for homework.

11) A brand new Porsche. Would any blonds there like to go out with me?

12) And finally I received some new submissions to my used band aid collection. It now totals 168 and keeps growing. If any of you have some contributions send them in an envelope to the Blazer office. On the envelope write: Attention Randy Whalen. Thankx.

Let me see, what else could I tell you guys about? How about the time... No, they wouldn't let that be printed. I know I'll do a review of the movie I saw last night. It was called Blood Demon from the Gates of Hell, boy was it great. There was this psychotic axe murderer that was possessed

by the ghost of an alien mummy that wanted to mate with all the women on the earth and drink the blood of rabid animals, which of course made it go crazy. Hey, that wasn't bad. I think that I'll write plots for horror movies that had more of a plot than some movies I've seen.

I was wondering: if tin whistles are made of tin, what do they make (g' horns out of? Is it better underwater if you're there when it rains? Is it colder in the summer or in the country? Do you even care? Well, I think that that's all I'm going to write on for this time. I hope you all enjoyed my column and if you didn't... too bad.

Before I go I'd like to say one thing. I received a somewhat nasty letter after my last article complaining that I really tore into Ed and that I shouldn't use my column to convey personal messages. In response I'd like to say that almost everything I said about Edward was in jest and that this is my column and as such I will write what I see fit. If I offend some people I'm sorry, but you don't have to read my column if you find me to be repulsive. If you think I'm slime - fine. You're entitled to your opinion, but as I said I have always written what I want and I'm not about to change now.

For those of you that read my column to get away from reality and want a dose of absurdity - I apologize for my outburst. Well, until next time I hope that a mack truck doesn't deliver a load of pickled toads' lives to your doorstep.

Students should review "Priorities"

"Priority."

No one looks around. They wait for the wall to open. When it does, they go into the wall and move up or down.

"Priority."

"People do not pay that much attention to the handicapped person waiting for the elevator," said Randy Lillf, 26, mid-management marketing major. Last fall, when Lillf was in a wheelchair, he spent time looking at the backs of people getting on the elevator. He wrote a letter to the editor expressing his outrage.

Another student in a wheelchair waited ten minutes for the crowd to clear from in front of the elevator. With this delay, the student was five minutes late for class, according to Dan Tat, 24, engineering major. "I felt very frustrated about people ignoring the needs of this student," said Tat. "Priority."

"I don't think anyone notices those signs," said Tim Yapp, 28, film major. "Just let me wheel my chair on first. Then whatever room is left can be filled up."

Yapp suggests that those who can walk take the stairs. Why not? It is an opportunity for exercise and a chance to chat. There is no waiting, no claustrophobia. Building J has two stairways. "Now that I've discovered it, I always take the uncrowded stairway," said Esther Bullock, freshman.

"I can go down the stairs on my stomach, feel first," said Lynn Manypenny, 28, major undecided. Of course, she does this only at home, for she expects to have the convenience of the elevator when she needs it at Joliet Junior College.

The two elevators for Buildings A, B, C, D, E, F, and G serve inadequately. One elevator is outdoors between A and B Buildings and one is in G Building. They are for freight and freight.

"The elevator in G Building was down three times last semester," said Yapp. "It's just a freight elevator. That's all it was meant for," he said.

Both Lillf and Manypenny have been stuck on it. "I don't like it," said Lillf. It makes strange noises and I have been in it when it stopped with 18 inches to go," he said. "I have been caught on it twice," said Manypenny. These elevators are too small, have narrow doors, and are unsightly, inconveniently located, and threatening.

"A new passenger elevator has been approved," said Paul G. Brinkman, vice president for administrative affairs. It will be in D Building. "The architect has to draw up the plans and the bids have to go out. It looks like within a year we'll have it installed," he said.

Beside the elevator will be a sign and the word, "Priority."

New Valentine ideas for him/her

By Julie McKeand

Relax. Go ahead, kick off your shoes and settle into that comfortable recliner, escape to the quiet life. The holidays are over. There aren't any jingle bells and no eggnog, or any stockings hanging by the chimney. There isn't a Santa Claus ringing his bell, and department stores have finally stopped playing Christmas music. For most, post-holiday periods are one of tranquility, a time of planning, not to mention recovering from New Year's bashes and football mania. The time is left to dandle away casually during the quiet cold days of January. There's no more events that need tending to until April. But don't get too comfortable.

Just when it seemed safe to venture outdoors, holiday mania strikes again. However, this particular touch of holiday spirit doesn't involve as much time-consuming preparation. Instead all the preparations and creativity last for just one day, bringing with it feelings of love and affection. It's the time to let those special people know how much they're appreciated. It's a time to lose oneself in the romantic grandeur of it all. As for traditional romance, Valentine's Day provides the perfect chance to express all those special feelings.

Today, ways of showing one's affection has become as universal as love itself. Most people are feeling the pocketbook pinch, especially since Christmas has taken its toll. However, displaying love can easily be inexpensive. Some romantic but inexpensive ideas include candle light dinners, perfectly timed love notes, homemade goodies such as cookies and cakes, and plenty of hugs and kisses that don't cost a dime. On the more creative side, give your sweetheart a poem that comes from the heart or a photo album filled with pictures that have special meaning. These are nice little reminders that are free but may make someone feel like a million. Other ideas include stuffed animals, balloons that display bold "I Love You's," heart-shaped banks, stationary sets, mugs filled with tiny candy hearts, magnets, vases, and music boxes.

If the way to their heart is through the stomach, try a giant Hershey's Kiss delectable candy in all different shapes and sizes, or a barrel of popcorn. Surprise them with an unplanned mid-winter picnic of favorite treats.

For the girl who has everything, try things like bath beads, socks, figurines, lace pillows, aprons, hanging mubles, stained glass ornaments, a favorite album, or that sweater she's been eyeing for weeks. For that special guy, give him a keychain, tickets to his favorite concert or play, a new tie, or a bottle of his favorite cologne. Try sending a singing telegram with an anonymous message for a twist of craziness.

For those of you who are head over heels, Valentine's Day is perfect for fur coats and diamonds (not exactly inexpensive but when you're in love, nothing is too extreme) not to mention the perfect time to take that long overdue romantic getaway that has been put off.

If you're the shy type, little notes left in convenient places and anonymously sent flowers are sure to get the message across.

Whatever gift it may be that one gives or receives, it is certainly to be delivered with much love and care. So start thinking, planning, and anticipating. Cupid is aiming his arrow.

Frankly Speaking by Phil Frank

LOOK GUYS. WINNING ISN'T EVERYTHING... NOR, IN YOUR CASE, IS EVEN POSSIBLE!



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Bring a friend to classes

Joliet Junior College is inviting people to come to class today or tomorrow to see a public community college in action. JJC's "Bring a Friend" campaign is one of several activities highlighting Illinois Community College Week, February 1-7. JJC students are encouraged to bring someone to day or evening classes at instructional sites throughout the college district during the two-day period.

People may also arrange to attend a class by calling Russell Corey, JJC coordinator of enrollment management, at 729-9020, Ext. 311.

Guests are asked to check with a friend or with the college to be sure that no tests are scheduled in the classes they would like to visit.

Admissions information, JJC catalogues and applications will be available at

registration tables on the Main campus throughout the day and evening.

Joliet Junior College offers classes at more than 30 sites in Illinois Community College District 325, which includes all or part of Will, Grundy, Kendall, LaSalle, Livingston, Kankakee and Cook counties.

The college operates instructional sites at the Main Campus, 1216 Houbolt Avenue, Joliet; the Louis Joliet Renaissance Center, 214 North Ottawa Street, Joliet; the North Campus-Romeoville Center, 755 Luther Drive; and the North Campus-Bolingbrook Town Center, 375 West Brandell Road.

Satellite centers are offered in Bolingbrook, Broadwood, Oak City, Crest Hill, Dwight, Joliet, Lenoir, Lockport, Mokena, Morris, New Lenox, Peotone and Romeoville.

alumni living outside the college district.

February 1 is the first day of Community College Week in Illinois and of National Community College Month.

Centennial Awards presented

Joliet Junior College wants 26 area children to be its guests for classes beginning in 2001, JJC's centennial year.

The children - most of whom are three years old - are receiving the college's "Centennial Awards." The awards will pay up to \$1,800 toward each child's tuition to the public community college during the 2001 and 2002 academic years.

The Centennial Awards was presented on February 1, in the Fine Arts Theatre on the Main Campus, 1216 Houbolt Avenue, Joliet.

The Centennial Awards were first announced during the college's 65th Anniversary Celebration in February 1986.

After reviewing more than 60 nominations, JJC chose 25 children from local communities and one child representing



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P.S./WASHINGTON

a weekly column by
 U.S. Senator Paul Simon of Illinois

Joblessness and racial tensions

On a call-in radio program the other day an unemployed woman said to me, "The reason I'm out of work and so many others are out of work is that the blacks are getting all the jobs."

She illustrated one of the reasons this nation should not tolerate the high level of unemployment that we have rather comfortably accepted.

With high unemployment comes a series of plagues: More crime, more health problems, more alcoholism, more teenage pregnancies and a depressed spirit for the unemployed that cannot be measured, but is deep.

And with high unemployment there also is more of an "us" versus "them" feeling. Hatred grows between whites and blacks, between Anglos and Hispanics, between young and old.

"The Poles get all the jobs around here," a young Hispanic told me on Chicago's Milwaukee Avenue one day.

If there were employment available for everyone, it is not likely he would be saying that.

We have seen a rising tide of incidents reflecting the tensions that are out there. It has happened in Howard Beach in New York City, in Jefferson Parish in Louisiana and in a county near Atlanta.

We can fool ourselves and say that these are simply local incidents, reflecting nothing more than local feelings. We will then treat the symptom rather than the cause. But we will be fooling ourselves.

That lady who called me on the radio program and that young man I talked with in Chicago are not expressing themselves in violent ways, but the message is the

same as that coming from the places of violence.

The number one cause of all of this is unemployment.

Editorials are written applauding the fact that "only" seven percent of Americans were out of work in 1986. If you add to that the people who have given up looking for a job, and those working only a little, you end up with 10 million Americans out of work. If, for example, you work one hour a week you are not counted as unemployed.

Japan, Switzerland, Austria, Sweden and Italy all have significantly lower unemployment rates than the failed States does, for one reason only: They have made a priority of putting people to work.

You will hear me talking and writing about this again and again, until we turn things around.

Too many Americans are non-productive. That's bad for them, but for our country.

I soon will be introducing legislation to address this problem directly and dramatically. We tolerate this high unemployment because we have accepted the myth that there is nothing we can do about it.

We can do something about it, if we have the will to do it, if we recognize the great harm we are doing to this great country by our present tolerance of high rates of unemployment.

We should march on the problem of unemployment and all the anguish and bitterness that goes with it, instead of giving ourselves excuses for retreating in its presence.

JJC observes community college week

A unique scholarship ceremony, an invitation to college classes, and an open house for an innovative educational program highlight Joliet Junior College's observance of Illinois Community College Week, February 1-7, 1987.

The three public events also mark the designation of February as National Community College Month. Joliet Junior College, the nation's oldest public community college, is credited with fostering the public community college movement in the United States.

The local celebration of community colleges begins at 3 p.m. on Sunday, February 1, with a tribute to 26 three-year-olds who have been selected for scholarships to JJC in the year 2001, the college's 100th anniversary.

The Centennial Awards Presentation will be held in the Fine Arts Theatre on the Main Campus, 1216 Houbolt Avenue, Joliet.

During February 2 and 3, students are invited to "Bring a Friend" to a day or evening class at any of the college's 30 instructional sites. All district residents are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity to see the college in action.

On Saturday, February 7, an open house will be held for the Joliet Area Math,

Science and Computer Educational Enrichment Program (JAMSCEEP) at the Main Campus. The program is helping 61 teenagers to better prepare for work in the nation's information-based society.

The theme for the open house, "Partners in the Community," reflects the cooperative nature of the program, which involves JJC, the College of St. Francis, Lewis University, six local high schools and eight area junior high schools.

The open house will be held at 8:30 a.m. to noon on the Main Campus. A public reception for JAMSCEEP students and guests begins at noon on the bridge spanning the campus lake.

JJC students are joining in the celebration. Student responses to the question "What will education be like in the year 2001?" will be printed in the student newspaper, The Blazer, during Illinois Community College Week.

The primary purpose of these activities is to generate increased public awareness of community colleges and the contributions that they have made.

The theme for Illinois Community College Week, "Opportunity with Excellence," reflects the mission and philosophy of the nation's 1,221 community, technical and junior colleges.

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Reader Opinion:

Education should be higher priority

By Irma Kump

As a parent of a child in school, that is what's missing in America. As a nation we do not focus extensively on education. We get more excited about school sports than we do about scholastic achievements.

If our priorities were focused on trying to motivate a love of learning in our young children we would not have the alarming drop-out rates in our nation's high schools. According to the June 2, 1986 US News and World Report, the rates are often 40 percent or higher in the largest metropolitan areas.

One of the reasons our students drop out of high school is that they don't know how to read or write. America is the most technically advanced and richest country in the world yet our literacy problem is a scandal.

In Japan, almost everyone can read and write. Hiroki Kato, a professor of Japanese at Northwestern University says, "In the United States you hear about people who are unable to fill out unemployment forms. You just never hear of that in Japan. The reason is not that Japanese is easier than English. The Japanese language is very precise. In English, there are 26 characters. But in Japanese there are currently 2,000 characters in use."

Why do we lag behind other industrialized nations in education? Lucia Solorzano reports in the May 26, 1986 US News and World Report that 126 schools in the

United States scored much lower than Japanese students and well below the mean score of 15 industrial nations. Especially in math and science aptitude testing.

What is wrong with the American system of education? The problems are complex but they could be altered with a change of attitude toward the teaching profession. Long ago the philosopher Diogenes said, "The foundation of every state is the education of its youth."

We need good teachers to educate our youth. Unfortunately in America teachers have always suffered from a poor image. Perhaps because they always had to beg for their money. We must change our attitude and give teachers the prestige and respect they deserve.

If we must try to fill more and more teacher shortages which have already reached a critical stage.

The National Center for Education Statistics predicts a nation-wide shortage of 163,000 teachers from 1986 to 1990. We are losing some teachers to retirement. But many teachers are being lured away to the business field by lucrative offers.

If we must try to keep our good, dedicated teachers because we are not attracting qualified new prospects to fill the gap. Solorzano reports that in 1985 only six percent planned careers in teaching, compared with 22 percent in 1967. Because of the shortage, some schools have recruited teachers from other countries. Our univer-

sities have lowered the standards in the teaching field to fill the posts.

Dan Thomas, who teaches computer education in St. Charles, says, "Education at most colleges has a reputation of being an easy major. It's a place to go if you're not too bright."

Is this what America wants for its youth? Our schools are as good as their teachers, but the teaching profession and the teacher's morale are at an all time low.

Most teachers complain about:

1. Low prestige and low pay.
2. School violence, drugs, alcohol, sex and pregnancies among students.
3. Unsatisfactory school conditions such as too many students in a classroom and not enough supplies and textbooks.
4. Apathy of students - students are bored and don't want to learn - and uncommunicative parents.

Our teachers are frustrated. They feel that teaching is a thankless job. Unhappy teachers cannot motivate students.

We must restructure the school system. Parents, teachers and society must band together and be one-minded in the quest for excellence in our schools. The Carnegie report, prepared by a panel of educators, provides guidelines to upgrade the teaching profession. It states that all teachers would be required to obtain a master's degree in education.

The increase in qualifications would in-

sure a higher salary. A higher salary would attract more people to the field. Schools could then choose the best teachers from the many qualified applicants.

Gary Griffin, dean of the College of Education at the University of Illinois at Chicago, said, "We at major universities for decades have considered teacher preparation a second-class endeavor and neglected it at our peril. Now we want to do it right, make it top-drawer."

Griffin and the deans from other Illinois schools said they would push for adoption of reforms in Illinois teacher education. Not everyone supports reform plans, but a national commission headed by former Secretary of Education Terrel H. Bell warns that the United States is risking "national suicide" unless it sharply increases spending on its schools and colleges.

America has always responded to a crisis. We cannot ignore the plight of our schools. We want to make our education system the best in the world. We can do it but we must make education our top priority. We must cultivate a passion for education.

Ice Sculpture Contest held

On Friday, January 9, 1987, Don Miller, five of his culinary arts students and Sig Stober drove to Plymouth, Michigan, to compete in the student competition of the "Fourth Annual Plymouth Ice Sculpture Spectacular." For the approximately 50 students competing, 10 prizes were given and JJC students took four of these prizes:

Jeff Stahl, first prize, medal and plaque.
Northwest Airlines round trip ticket anywhere in the United States, plus a \$750 scholarship.

Dan Heibolz, third prize, medal and plaque.
Northwest Airlines round trip ticket anywhere in the United States, plus a \$250 scholarship.

Richard Henry, sixth prize, medal and plaque, plus a set of ice carving tools.
Michelle Meyer, ninth prize, medal and plaque.

Congratulations to these students on a very worthwhile effort!

The students from JJC, along with other community colleges, also participated in producing huge ice carving displays in the Plymouth Town Square during the Ice Spectacular, which drew over 30,000 people to the community JJC students designed and sculptured Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs out of 1,000 lbs. of ice as one of the major displays.

Program to help students prepare for career

An innovative program to help teenagers prepare for careers in math, science and computer science will be "on display" at the Joliet Junior College main campus at 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, February 7.

The open house, "Partners in the Community" honors the Joliet Area Math, Science and Computer Educational Enrichment Program (JAMSECEEP). The program is helping 61 educationally disadvantaged junior high and high school students to improve their opportunity for

successful careers.

Guests to the Feb. 7 open house are invited to attend JAMSECEEP activities and hear a presentation on the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy in Aurora by academy director Lillian Smith. The academy is a three-year residential school for academically talented Illinois high school students.

A public reception for JAMSECEEP students and guests begins at noon on the bridge spanning the campus lake. The open house is one of a series of events

marking Community College Week in Illinois, Feb. 1-7.

Each weekend, the 61 teenagers in JAMSECEEP meet with tutors who help them with schoolwork. The students also participate in activities designed to improve their studying skills, inform them of career opportunities and promote thought about the value of education.

JAMSECEEP is a cooperative effort by JJC, the College of St. Francis, Lewis University and 12 junior high and high schools. The program is directed by J.Q. Adams, director of JJC's Office of Minority and Intercultural Affairs.

Schools with participants in JAMSECEEP include Joliet's Hurlford, Dirksen, Gompers, and Washington junior high schools; Romeoville's Addams and Hampshire middle schools; Lockport's Fairmont Junior High School and Bolingbrook's Ward Middle School. The program also has students from the Joliet East and Joliet Central high schools; the Lockport Township High School, East and Central campuses; Bolingbrook High School and Romeoville High School.

New Union President takes office

By Donna Larkin

A new president has taken office for the Joliet Junior College Teachers' Union. Dave LaLond took office in January. He was elected president in November, and replaces former President Paul Johnson.

The change of offices each year is standard procedure and has nothing to do with the current situation between teachers and the JJC Board of Trustees. LaLond has taught Engineering Technology at JJC for nine years. He previously served on the Union's welfare

committee.

As president, his main duties include presiding over union meetings and acting as chief negotiator for the Union.

LaLond hopes to settle the contract situation. His other goals include updating the Union bylaws and getting more union participation. LaLond hopes to encourage more teachers to attend union meetings regularly and to be active in the state and local chapters of the American Federation of Teachers.

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By Bryan Kaspriske

One-hundred JJC students filled the school's auditorium during a student rally to hear the respective sides and ask questions about the teachers' contract talks on January 28.

Students for Education, which was formed a few weeks ago to provide students with a way of monitoring the talks, sponsored the rally. David Furnish and Hope Voss acted as mediators of the talks that featured Jocelyn Ainley, Vice President of Student Affairs; and Gerri Miller, a business administration instructor and member of the teachers' union executive board. Boutspeakers gave speeches on the progress of the talks stating that they had to keep details a secret until a settlement or a strike was reached. They chose instead to talk about Community College Week and the importance that the students have in creating a solution.

Reid Hupach summed up the general feeling of the students by saying, "This rally was a waste and a farce. All we heard today was a line," in reference to the content of the talkers' speeches and the last minute omission of a question and answer session. Students were left with a lot of unanswered questions. One question was what would happen if the teachers strike and the term was pushed into the summer keeping some students from attending a summer session at a four year university. Anley responded to this by

saying JJC had already contacted transferring institutions to inform them of the situation that may arise and to see if they could make special exceptions for JJC students. She stated that these institutions would help out as much as they could to keep students from being inconvenienced by a strike. Another question that was posed was why students were not being kept abreast of the board's activities by student trustee Steve Wharrie. This question was left unanswered because the individual was not at the rally.

Miller stated that, "Students make a difference and rallies like this are what is needed to push all sides to come to a settlement." She also stressed the importance for students to attend and express their views at the President's Forum at 11 a.m. on Feb. 5 and at future board meetings.

Joliet Junior College generates an economic impact on the local community equal to that of a sizeable industry, according to the Illinois State University Center for Higher Education.

An economic impact study conducted by ISU shows that JJC fostered a \$26.5 million increase in area wealth, pumped \$9 million into the financial credit base and supplied 1,730 jobs in a one-year period.

"The study points out that most people are aware that a college enhances the quality of life through educational, public service and cultural programs, but the significant economic impact of institutions like JJC is less apparent," said Dr. Robert Hauwittler, JJC director of institutional research, planning, and grants.

"The college functions as an employer, consumer of goods and services, investor, landowner and holder," Howsiller said. "As a result, jobs are created, income flows throughout the college district, and more money is available to financial institutions for loan activities."

JJC spent \$5,325,000 with area businesses for goods and services during

its last fiscal year—July 1, 1985-June 30, 1986—in addition, \$8,976,360 was introduced as salaries and a total \$1,287,250 was provided in financial aid to students excluding money for tuition and fees.

College building projects added another \$729,000 to the local economy, while JJC's Institute of Economic Technology and the Jaiet Junior College Foundation together added \$1,363,000.

Thus, the district economic impact on the wealth of the district by JJC, its employees, and students last year was \$17,680,610. The ISU research staff estimated an additional \$8,840,365 was added to the local economy indirectly because of local businesses who provide goods and services to the college.

Total direct and indirect increase in area wealth because of the college's presence was \$26,529,915.

Additionally, Joliet Junior College employs 492 full-time equivalent employees based on a job-creation formula developed by economists and adopted by ISU staff. JJC accounted for the creation of 1,238 "indirect" jobs for businesses which supply goods and services to the college. The total job creation impact of JJC was 1,730 jobs last fiscal year.

Finally, the college and its employees, through their savings and checking deposits in local financial institutions, provide funds which are then loaned to area residents and businesses. The community financial credit was expanded by \$9,093,581 during the past fiscal year because of JJC, according to study estimates.

Local taxpayers pay 25.5 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation to support Joliet Junior College. For a home assessed at \$15,000 for a one year period, a homeowner would pay \$38.25 in real estate taxes to support JJC operations and physical facilities.

"The economic return-on-investment for Juliet Junior College district residents is significant," Hunzicker said.

The college serves Illinois Community College District 525, which includes all or portions of Will, Grundy, Kankakee, LaSalle, Kendall, Livingston, and Cook counties.

Veterans club seeks members; plans events

By Mary Rasmussen

Non veterans as well as veterans are welcome to join the newly formed Joliet Junior College Veteran's Club.

Will McLemore and Rodney Presswood, founders of the club, are seeking interested students for membership. A sign-up and information table was set up on the Bridge Jan. 27 through Feb. 13.

The Veteran's club is still in the beginning stages of formation and has a constitution. Members will be electing representatives in the near future.

McLemore said the purpose of the club is not only to serve the veterans, but all JJC students. He feels that if the club has support and participation, it will be an asset to the community.

Club members are looking forward to many social activities such as dances, picnics, and field trips. Members have already contacted Veterans Clubs from other colleges including Governor's State University and the University of Illinois.

McLemore feels more social activities are needed on campus. "This campus used to be a lot more carefree than it is now. It's really sad to see an environment whose purpose is supposed to be education filled with all this anxiety. We need more social events for everyone: not only to enjoy education more, but to also be able to breathe."

Dr. Ainley, vice president of student affairs, represented the administration at the student rally on Jan. 28.

Gerri Miller, a member of the AIC Teachers' Union executive board, addressed the students.

JJC's DWAC helps people find jobs

By John Buell

Do you ever wish you had a job because of being laid off, or maybe the plant they were working at closed down, or maybe you know someone who wants to start their own business but wherever they look it's a dead end? Well, look no further! JJC's Junior College's Dislocated Workers Assistance and Entrepreneurial Services programs provide free job placement, training, or counseling to many qualified persons. The people at JJC's Dislocated Workers Assistance Center make a strong effort to change unemployment into opportunity. Close to 85 percent of the people who complete the program have new jobs.

The Dislocated Workers Assistance Center (DWAC) helps people with marketable job skills find jobs and also pays for a better education for others.

through the On-The-Job-Training Program. Information about the DWAC is available at 10 a.m. each Monday in Room 320 of the Louis Joliet Renaissance Center, 214 N. Ottawa St., downtown Joliet, or call (815) 227-6544, ext. 134.

For people who have low incomes or are unemployed and have plans for starting business, JJC's Entrepreneurial Services program gives free counseling and training. The Entrepreneurial Services Center is also located at the Renaissance Center. For more information about the program, persons may call (815) 727-6544, ext. 1317.

According to a US General Accounting Survey, the DWAC is among the nation's seven most successful centers.

The JJC program is the only Illinois program among the nation's 593 dislocated workers centers to achieve such a high level.

Gillespie pleads not guilty

By John Buell

JJC Trustee Rosalynne Gillespie and Samuel Jones, a security employee at the Illinois Youth Center, entered a plea of not guilty to the charges of bribery and conspiracy Monday, Feb. 2, in a Will County Circuit Court.

Gillespie allegedly paid the head of security at the youth center \$400 toward a \$1,000 bribe to get Jones a better job or promotion.

If Gillespie and Jones are found guilty of bribery and conspiracy, a maximum prison sentence could mean up to ten years. Both Gillespie and Jones are free on \$5,000 signature bonds. A trial date is set for April 13.

Gillespie could not be reached for comment.

Larkin Laments

By Donna Larkin, Editor

When I was growing up, sports were played for the fun of it. You won some, and you lost some, but the thing that mattered in the end was how much fun you had. Evidently the JJC Board and administration did not grow up that way. As I previously reported, last year the administration recommended that the board drop six sports in an attempt to improve the remaining six sports. The fact that the board dropped the sports with winning records and highly academic students does not matter.

As editor of the *Blazer* and a full time student, I have heard many comments on the issue. The main one is that the students at JJC do not really care whether we're winning or losing, they just want to play the game - for the fun of it.

In the last issue, a first-year student wrote a letter asking for the reinstatement of a cross country team. Her letter held the feelings of many students.

Students want to be able to compete and participate. The student said that many sports were cut due to financial cir-

cumstances. I do not believe that is the real reason.

I think the administration is trying hard to recruit new students to the college. It is fine that the college is reaching new prospective students who may have gone to a four-year college, but trying to gain attention through sports by cutting some teams in hopes of magically making the other teams win more games is not going to work.

The administration wants the football, basketball, baseball, volleyball, and softball teams to place high and draw media attention. But the players are not there. Just because one team is cut does not mean the other will do better. It is not like a person who loses one of his senses and the others compensate for it.

The logic behind the decision just is not there. If the administration would quit trying to do something to get themselves written into the "hall of fame for administrators in college," maybe some of our students could become athletes in their favorite sport - just for the fun of it.

Letter to the editor

Dent Editor:

I have a concern and I would appreciate a rebuttal or an answer from someone in authority or who at least knows what's going on. When I left school the other day I walked out of my car and much to my surprise there sits a sticker on my window (Oh, no!). What kind of a ticket? One for not having a valid JJC parking sticker. Now, how silly can you get? JJC depends on most students driving to school, some take the bus or are driven, but most drive, so what happens if your car won't start or you have an accident and are borrowing a car that doesn't have a sticker? What happens if like many of the students here you don't have your own car, and you drive your parents' car? I know my old man would say, "Don't put that d--- sticker on my car!" You get a ticket that's what happens.

Really, I just want to know what the stickers are for. Are they to keep the locals from parking in the lot and going to the surrounding businesses? Do they keep people who don't attend JJC from getting on campus? Do they assign us a certain lot or

space? No. By the way, the stickers are free so the money from sticker sales can't be the issue. In fact, if you took the money spent on the parking stickers, that have no apparent use, you might be able to afford to pay the teachers.

There are only two apparent reasons I could see for the stickers and they are: one, to give the campus security something to occupy their slow time or two, for advertisement because you always see old stickers on the cars driving around the area. I think they're both bad reasons. Because to tell you the truth, the reason I don't have a sticker on my car is because I think where I go to school is a matter of my own self interest. Also really don't own your piece knowing I go to JJC. "It just ain't cool, dude." Anyway until I get a reply with at least one good reason why I should put a useless sticker on my car, I won't put one there and I won't pay the ticket. I welcome a rebuttal or any agreements. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Cousin Bob

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Commentary

By Ed Wisniewski

During the last few weeks with the problems that the Reagan administration has had with the press, questions have come up about how ethical and responsible newspaper reporters really are. I would like to show in brief how reporters try to get the facts straight and on occasion make a mistake.

One of the first rights the constitution guaranteed America was the right to have a free press. This means that newspapers can print what it feels is the truth without fear of censorship. Of course any newspaper editor will tell you that they don't print anything unless there is some kind of proof either through documents, testimony through witnesses, or public presentations. In other words if a person was shot in cold blood on the bridge in front of several people and word gets back to the *Blazer* office, we will print a story on it. That story will contain all the facts that the reporter assigned can get his hands on. This will include: accounts by witnesses, the police and coroner's report, statements by the victim's family, any information provided by the *Heard News* and the reactions of school officials. Now if that same happened but only during a time when no one was around and a body turned up in the seaweed along Lake Jueo we would still run the story trying to piece up many factors together as we can before printing the story.

Newspapers are only interested in the truth and don't care about the reputations of the people they are telling the truth about. So when a teacher is accused of a felony we tell it like it is rather than defend the teacher. So with a free press comes the responsibility to print the truth without taking sides about the facts it is reporting. This at times can be a very heavy burden on the reporter.

That is why at times myself and the rest of the *Blazer* staff pull our hair in frustration when we try to cover the difficulties that the teachers are trying to resolve with the administration. All we know are the obvious facts and each time we try to talk with the parties involved they don't wish to speak with us. How can we know the truth and keep our readers informed if the parties involved won't tell us anything? In short, we need the truth as the truth as they know it should be printed because it tells their chances at the bargaining table.

I understand this but must they keep the press and the rest of the school ignorant of what is happening? That is how rumors and innuendos are formed and it is the job of a paper to separate fact from fiction.

With people deliberately hiding the truth and people trying to cover up their misdeeds the press is generally accused by most people of being careless and irresponsible. Those with legitimate mistakes are the ones that have been wronged by a reporter who hasn't gotten his facts straight. I have at times been a reporter that has not gotten his facts straight. Does that make me bad? No really. It just means that I have made mistakes and I will try not to make the same ones in the future.

When a reporter does make a mistake he usually makes a big one. The typical case is when I was told by a source that the mayor of my village went out and partied with other prominent political people around the state at the village's expense. I found out that the mayor did go down state with an invitation from the governor to attend his inauguration. The mayor paid his way and only charged the village for the money it took to gas up his car. I found out that information pursuing around like Heraldo Rivera and making a prominent jack ass out of myself.

Journalists like myself have been called Democrats, irresponsible, communists, crackpots, busybodies, liars, and atheists. I am a Democrat who is voting for an ROTC scholarship so I can fight the communists and go to school at the same time. I am also a Roman Catholic who is also a journalist trying to do his job the best he can and avoid as many mistakes as possible.

That job is to print the truth and his hard enough.

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Culinary career day attacks employers

By Dottie Olsen

The Joint Junior College Culinary Arts Career Day was held on January 30 on the bridge. In spite of more than 300 majors in the culinary arts program, there were few visitors to the displays set up by the Culinary Arts Department and six companies in the food service industry.

"Part of our goals for the day are to attract more students to the program here," stated Tim Hammerschmitt, one of the two culinary arts majors manning JJC's booth. "Turnout has been rather low. We're really hoping to show employers what students here can offer the employment world." Both he and Rich Henry felt that the strong point of the JJC program over others is the hands on experience. Culinary arts students here are responsible for all the meals for the student body on a daily basis. The companies in attendance were in overwhelming agreement on that factor. The six companies represented at the event included Wag's, Marriott, Service Master, Baker's Square, and the Illinois Automated Merchants' Council.

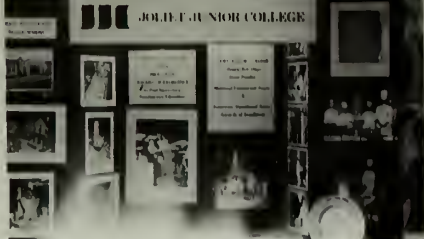
Though they shared a common appreciation for the program, none of the employers were seeking the same type of prospective employee. Lorie Warp of Baker's Square was taking applications for all positions: cook, waitress, bus person, to start work now. "We're looking for hourly people for part time now to develop to full time after graduation. We feel this is a great way to start people toward restaurant management careers, by get-

ting hands on experience from the ground up."

Executive chef Hans Ladewig of the Marriott, however, was seeking a much different type of person in a much more defined way. "We're looking for chefs, not cooks. We want the exceptional student; competitive people who know where they are going. We are impressed with the high quality of people in the JJC program. People we take are planned to be management ready in five years at most." Mr. Ladewig is obviously a man as good as his spoken words; his assistant is Annette Seiben, a JJC culinary arts graduate.

Service Master was also represented by a C. A. program grad, Charles Guthrie graduated from the JJC program in 1981. "Service Master is a Christian based company. We are here to serve institutions, but we are also interested in helping individual people find themselves. We like to help people with their career goals and then help them develop to meet the goals."

Bill Moli and Dan Sullivan manned the table from the Illinois Automated Merchants' Council. This organization represents the vending merchants trade association. "We were under the impression this was more of an all around career day. We really aren't sure we're suited to 'culinary majors.' However, not to be put down, or left out, they were working hard at collecting names and addresses. "You never know what will come up. We are putting the names we take on tie with the trade association."



A Culinary Arts Career Day was held on Friday, Jan. 30. Students and employers were present on the bridge to answer questions and search for possible job applicants.

Morris BPW Club offers scholarships

The Morris Business and Professional Women's Club is offering scholarships to encourage women in furthering their education.

A \$100 Health Care Scholarship is being given to a woman who has completed a minimum requirement of one year of her schooling. The applicant must be a resident of Grundy County and must show definite need for the scholarship. The award will be given on the basis of the above criteria, as well as scholarship, character, and indication of future success.

A \$100 Career Training Scholarship is to be given to a woman 25 years of age or older who has a desire to further her education in any field of her choosing other than health care. The applicant must reside in Grundy County, show a definite need for the scholarship, and attend a reputable or recognized school. The purpose of the scholarship is to encourage women to pursue educational skills that will enhance employment opportunities.

Interested candidates should contact Cynthia A. Jenson, BPW Scholarship Committee Chairman, 720 N. Sixth Street, Coal City, IL 60416. The deadline for application submission is April 30, 1987.

JJC to sponsor workshop for area nurses

Nurses can learn how laboratory tests affect their jobs during a seminar at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 24, at Outday at Angels Retirement Home in Joliet.

The seminar, sponsored by the Joliet Junior College Nursing Continuing Education program, will be led by Deanne Dehlatie, laboratory manager at Silver Cross Hospital in Joliet.

Dehlatie is a registered medical technologist (ASCP) and a specialist in microbiology. She has a bachelor of science degree in biology and masters degrees in health services administration and applied health.

Her presentation, "Laboratory Tests: Implications for Nursing," is designed to give registered nurses information about common laboratory tests and what the results of these tests mean to a client.

Our Lady of Angels Retirement Home is at 1201 Wyoming Avenue in Joliet. The cost of the program is \$6.

To register for the seminar, or to obtain more information on this and other JJC nursing seminars, call Cathy Schley at (815) 729-9029, ext. 463.

Contest offers scholarships, job opportunity

Vector Marketing Corporation, a national marketing firm which offers high income part and full time job opportunities to many college students each year, is sponsoring an essay contest exclusively for undergraduates with scholarship monies totaling \$2,000 for winning entries.

The contest is open to both part time and full time students currently studying at recognized colleges and universities across the country, not currently or previously employed by or associated with Vector Marketing Corporation.

Students are asked to write a 500-750 word essay on the following topic: "The Importance of Interpersonal Communication Skills Specific to Your Career Goals."

According to Don Freda, President of the Springfield, Pennsylvania based firm, this topic was chosen to emphasize the role that interpersonal communication skills play in today's highly competitive business world.

"Today, a college student needs more than just a high academic standing and hands-on experience to be truly successful when pursuing a career," said Freda. "A graduate with strong interpersonal communication skills will be chosen for a job over a fellow student who has difficulty expressing him or herself."

"Basically, we're asking students to put down on paper how their interpersonal communication skills will help them to be successful in their specific careers, whether they be marketing, engineering, nursing, accounting, or another field," added Freda.

Essay contestants are encouraged to include their personal definitions of effective interpersonal communication within the test.

The winning essay contestant will receive \$1,000 in scholarship monies, with the first runner up receiving \$500. Second and third runners-up will be awarded \$250 each.

In addition, all essay contest participants will be offered the opportunity to interview for a position as a summer sales representative through the Vector Marketing Corporation office nearest to their college campus or home town.

Entries will be judged on the basis of originality, practicality, and creative thinking. Correct grammar, punctuation, and composition is also essential.

Copy must be typed, double-spaced, on white, 8 1/2" x 11" paper and should not exceed 750 words. All entries should include a return address and phone number along with the student's class year and major. All submissions will become the property of Vector Marketing Corporation.

Winners will be notified by mail no later than March 31, 1987.

The deadline for entries is Monday, March 16, 1987. Entries should be sent to Vector's national headquarters at the following address: Essay Contest, Vector Marketing Corporation, 1260 Woodland Avenue, Springfield, PA 19064.

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RUNNING AMUCK

By Bryan Kasparsian

Leaving the security of a successful rock-n-roll band to form a new band may be harder than one would think. Especially when they have been secure in the band for 15 years. Paul Kantner, Marty Balin, and Jack Casady were the unseen driving force in the Jefferson Starship. They left the Starship last year to form the KBC Band. Their first album entitled "KBC Band" was released in late 1986.

The album has already produced one bona-fide hit with "It's Not You It's Not Me" which hit number seven on the Billboard chart just after release. The new single "America" is receiving substantial air time on both the radio and MTV. Both songs fit into the categorization of American Pop Hit Music. One would expect the band to follow with something similar, which they don't do.

KBC has diversified their lyrics and music so much, with the exception of "It's Not You It's Not Me" and "America," that it's unable to classify what Kantner and Casady, the writers, are trying to do. Although they are proven songwriters, with many hits to their credit as members of Starship, they leave much to be questioned with this effort. Their lyrics say very little, and when they do, it is something that makes no sense. This is a disappointment because the first two songs are evidence of what they are capable. They have diversified their music so much that if each song were listened to separately you would think that they were from different artists. "Marie" is a rock song with a calypso rhythm put to a slower beat. On the other side of the coin is "Hold Me" a slow drag, giving country sounding ballad that would fit in at just cut of your local honky tonk.

Fortunately "It's Not You" and "America" are not the only highlights this album has. Balin and Kantner are remarkable harmonizing their lead vocals. Keith Crossan gives this album some much needed feeling and carries "No More Heartaches" on his saxophone alone. These efforts are not able to revive this album alone. KBC needs to get back to basics and give the public what they are so capable of: gold rock-n-roll.

Even though I am a fan of Starship and of Paul Kantner, Marty Balin, and Jack Casady I can not recommend this album to you because KBC Band is not worth the money you would pay for it, so save your \$8.98 and buy some Burger King Hot Toppers, they will be a lot better for you.

If you are really driven to go out and buy a record, here is a list comprised of the top ten LPs, according to Billboard, for the week ending January 31, 1987.

- 10) True Blue - Madonna
 - 9) Control - Janet Jackson
 - 8) Fore - Huey Lewis and the News
 - 7) Licensed to Ill - Beastie Boys
 - 6) Bruce Springsteen - Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band
 - 5) The Way It Is - Bruce Hornsby & The Range
 - 4) Night Song - Cinderella
 - 3) Third Stage - Boston
 - 2) Different Light - Bangles
 - 1) Slippery When Wet - Bon Jovi
- Next time, if I haven't been sued by a record company or whoever published KBC, I'll treat you to the Beastie Boys Licensed to Ill.

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Getting through college in the '80s: It takes a hybrid of Albert Einstein and Indiana Jones

Author of "Sink or Swim" survival guide helps students become "Campusites."

Close to 50% of today's entering college freshmen will probably never get beyond their first year. At today's astronomical costs for higher education - even at the least costly "commuter colleges" - this represents a four-figure loss per semester. To say nothing of the emotional drain on the students and their families.

"These days it's as much survival of the fittest on the college campus as in the Amazon jungle," according to Priscilla Tanner, author of the just-released college survival guide, *Sink or Swim*. "It's foolhardy to send your kids off into the groves of academe without survival training. They need a special order of 'street smarts' to walk in the way of higher education."

Accordingly, Ms. Tanner's book explains everything from how to write a transcript to a tried-and-true way of getting 'ins' on finals.

The book also explores crucial strategies for survival such as selecting the best

classes and instructors, getting into closed classes, shortcutting textbook reading, identifying future test material, studying without concentrating, writing A getting papers and coping with almost any type of homework a professor might assign.

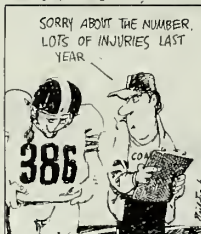
Sink or Swim's practical tips, or "lifesavers" are backed up with actual examples of A-getting answer, papers and reports, field notes, and interview write-ups. It also contains actual test questions, grade-computation formulas, and comprehensive bibliography and footnote formats.

"I got the idea for this book after surviving the college crunch on 'lifesavers, lollipops and a lot of persistence.' I had returned to college after starting a family and had to apply the practicalism of my married life to the school situation. A lot of young people fresh-out-of-high school left by the wayside because they never caught on to the survival aspect of it all."

Sink or Swim is published in paperback by Wilson and Crew and is available at college bookstores nationwide.

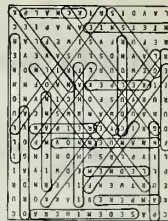
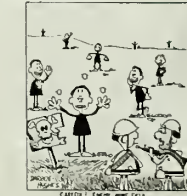
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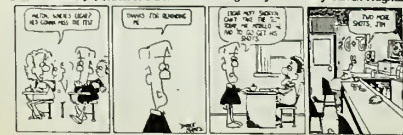
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Snorkin': Portrait of a Less Than Average Guy

by Damon Hughes



Williamsburg's Stars, Consellations, and JUCO's Planetarium new college

The Center for Honors and Interdisciplinary Studies at the College of William and Mary embodies a new realization of what the liberal arts and science encompass.

The first part of this realization "is that education by its very nature, is not only disciplinary," according to Thomas M. Finn, dean of Undergraduate Studies and creator of the center. "Knowledge does not fit into 23 disciplines."

The second part of this realization is that specific areas of knowledge, which are abundant in the liberal arts and sciences, should be included. Such areas include women's studies and Afro-American studies. Fifteen classes will be offered to students this semester.

Classes will be offered through a variety of departments, contributing to the formation of new interdisciplinary studies major. They are also filling voids in the school's curriculum. "Interdisciplinary studies, work by faculty and students both within and then beyond the disciplines" and Finn, is what he regards as "The major challenge to arts and sciences at colleges like William and Mary in the 1980s."

Through the new center, the College is now meeting this challenge in a more organized and assertive manner. Housed in the Tucker Hall basement are four major programs: the Honors Program, the Center for Distinguished Professorship program, the interdisciplinary studies program, and faculty development.

Each of these programs develops and offers classes "necessary for the raising of our students' educational horizons." With the center's support, each of the programs will continue working for development and improvement strategies.

According to Finn, the Honors Program is "the most expensive single undergraduate course" at the college. The program, "requires a fair number of faculty and a fairly large share of resources," according to Finn. Not including only financial expenses, the Honors Program costs approximately \$150,000 per year.

Eight faculty members teach sections of 10 to 15 students. Planned improvements for the program focus on an idea of change within a set structure. "We can't change the structure from one year to the next," explained Martha M. Houle, director of the center and assistant professor of French. "It takes too much time."

Yet Houle stressed the importance of change within the structure, because "everyone's aware that the Honors Program is limited to Western traditions. There's more to life than just that. And there's more to an Honors Program than just that."

The change envisioned is another year of the Honors Program which would cover Eastern culture, as well as covering the East and performing arts. Houle and Finn expect the second year to be offered by the 1988-89 school year.

Campus Credit Union

A committee of Columbia and Barnard students is exploring ways to form a non-profit campus credit union that would, the organizers believe, be able to provide low-cost education loans, free checking, interest-bearing accounts and other financial services. Giving students hands-on experience running a small financial institution.

Student credit unions are federally insured and regulated financial cooperatives chartered by the National Credit Union Administration in Washington. The first college credit union was founded at the University of Massachusetts in 1975. Since then—especially since federal student aid has become scarcer and loans more costly—about a dozen more schools have founded them, including Georgetown, UCLA, the Universities of Chicago, Maine and Missouri and Skidmore College.

Charters are pending at more than 20 colleges, according to the National Student Credit Union Council, the umbrella organization of the college credit unions.

A member of the Columbia organizing committee points out that because of charter regulations, credit unions are "forced into a position of social responsibility because they can only invest in government securities or in funds that invest in them. To obtain a federal charter for a credit union, an organization must show need through a survey of its potential members. Seed money is also required, and is being sought from Columbia alumni, local businesses and non-profit organizations.

By Barb Vass

As the nights become warmer and people take the time to walk to their cars instead of dodging the winter cold, they might notice the arrangement of the stars above them. For the most part, everyone has had some sort of interest in the constellations and galaxies that make up the universe.

Students here at JUCO are exploring those interests in astronomy classes offered here and located in the planetarium. Yes, for those people who don't know, JUCO's planetarium has and operates its own planetarium. Installed in 1973, it was paid for by federal and school funds, and is the only planetarium in the Joliet area.

It offered regularly scheduled shows twice a month until the latter part of last year, when Doug Graham, director and prime force behind the planetarium

became ill.

Public shows often involve groups such as grade schools and high schools, church groups, and scouting troops, along with adults. Over the years approximately 110,000 people have attended the shows given on various interesting topics about the skies and their constellations.

The machine that is used to produce the nighttime effect is called the Spitz System 312, which happens to be the leading product in this kind of equipment. The machine itself is serviced at least once a year, and costs the school between \$8,000-\$9,000 a year for upkeep, and maintenance in general.

One can tell the money is well spent when the show begins. Relaxing into the comfortable chairs, and trying to remember those clear starry nights, the lights are gradually dimmed, and the

dome-shaped ceiling is transformed into the nighttime sky filled with stars that form easy to recognize constellations. Before realizing it an interesting and fun show has been received.

A regular show may include approximately 40 hours of script writing, inputting, and accumulating the needed graphics. Both Dr. Hieggelke and Mr. Riecheberger agree that the astronomy classes are twice as large as last years.

Mr. Riecheberger is teaching his first full semester of astronomy at JUCO and is "enjoying it a great deal. A true challenge." Although the planetarium is in a kind of transitional period right now because of Mr. Graham's semi-retirement, with Mr. Riecheberger's help and the science staff's support the shows will continue to be shown on schedule.

A Gothic Mystery, a South American dictator, and a Comboto?

In the past most games have had rules that were fairly simple and easy to understand. The rules were simple, role playing and war games out on the market it may take a week or so before all the rules are learned. Finding someone else who knows and understands the rules can be frustrating and may take all the fun out of the game that you paid your hard-earned money to get. This is the reason to change for the better with the outbreak of beer and pretzel games that only take five minutes to learn, but gives hours of enjoyment. In this issue we will look at the latest group of these games along with reviewing some old favorites.

DAWK CULTS: This is the only card game that I can think of that allows you to be a gothic mystery writer without using a paper or pen. The game is for two players representing the forces of life and death, or good and evil.

The players are dealt an even number of cards and the excess is set aside for later use in the game. The cards represent the different elements of a gothic horror story: the spooky settings, monsters, shadowy figures, screams in the dark, and a wide array of helpless people in distress. The life player plays his first card saying, "John Power is a troubled doctor that works in an insane asylum who decided to take a long walk before he retires to bed at his apartment in South Yorkshire." Then the player representing death plays his card showing a dark stranger on it and says, "But unknown to Dr. Power, a strange figure is following him as if someone wanted to reclaim a debt. So now you're in it of this world." The game can get pretty far out and the rules are simple. The possibilities that this game presents can generate an incredible amount of creativity. Think what can happen when a bunch of creative writing students get their hands on this game. It is a game that is well worth the \$4.95 and the eight dollar cost. Found only at well-stocked hobby shops.

JUNTA: Have you ever wanted to be South American or Central American dictator? Junta from West End Games gives you that chance. Set in a banana republic somewhere in Latin America, each player is a member of one of the eleven wealthiest families in that country. The object of the game is to get as much money as you can from your opponents and your countrymen then stick it in your own Swiss bank account. Up to seven players can join in on the backstabbing fun of power politics. The game is broken up into phases. During the first phase of the game the players "elect" an ex president. The ex president selects a prime minister, and his generals for the various armed forces of his country. After the different cabinet posts are selected the government receives money from taxes levied on the people. The president pockets as much cash as he wishes, but he must give a set amount of money to the prime minister.

The president can also give money to his generals to keep them in line. The next phase is the assassination phase where the players try to backstab each other. If a player gets assassinated then their next of kin takes over in his place but he loses a portion of his money from his bank account. The game continues until everyone is dead with assassinations we then go to the coup stage where the military can try to overthrow the government if it wishes.

Rival generals can be fighting for or against the government. As the game progresses, it gets even more crazy with thieves and secret deals. With rules about as easy as Monopoly it is crazy fun and grudges have been held long after the game is over due to the ruthless tactics necessary to win. Found at most good toy stores and hobby shops, it runs about \$15.

COMBOTS: Oh, the thrill of victory is in the arena of combat. Combos changing your name in admiration. Lipping your opponents limb from limb while they beg for mercy. Not even suffering a scratch from

your enemies. Nice thought, isn't it? In Combos it is a reality. The game pits players against each other in the arena of Robot Gladiator combat. The rules are quick and simple to learn only taking about 30 minutes and the variety of situations that the players can get themselves into are fun and challenging.

With miniatures that can easily be taken apart and switched around for variety included in the package, the game also has a good deal of realism. Produced by FASA it can be found at most hobby stores and costs \$15.

"Goodbye Charle" auditions to be held

Auditions for the comedy production of "Goodbye Charle" will be held at Joliet Junior College on February 17 and 18. Four men and three women are needed for roles in the play, which will be presented by the J.C. Fine Arts Department in late March.

Auditions will be held at 3-4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 17, and at 2-4 p.m. on Thursday, February 18 in the Fine Arts

Theatre on the J.C. Main Campus, 1216 Hohlreit Ave., Joliet.

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ByWayne Ceranek
Features Editor

Let loose

Okay, it's that time again and I'm really fed up with all of this!!! Every issue I write a column, and what's the thanks I get? It is really all that much trouble to write your name on a piece of paper and drop it off in the Blazer Office? Well, apparently it is. I am now convinced that no one in this school reads my column so this is the last one that I write; unless I receive at least 50 responses by the next issue, I'm taking a lesson from Mr. Ortol (send me four million dollars) Roberts.

Well, enough about that, on to the column. I've been told by my friends and relatives (apparently the only people who read this) that my best column was the one about the tabloids, and so in the tradition of all major motion pictures, I've decided to do a sequel. Yes here it is... Tabloid III!!!

I'm sitting here with a stack of tabloids in front of me so here we go. The first headline that jumps out at me says that Leonard Nimoy left his wife of thirty-two years for a younger woman. Turning to the inside story it tells that he not only left his wife, but that he left her on her birthday. May be eaten by giant Iranian goat-eating cockroaches? Analyze that Spock!

Flipping through the pages, a story catches my eye. It seems that a man was hav-

ing a party on his yacht in the Bermuda Triangle when he saw a UFO pick up Big Foot riding the Loch Ness Monster. Unfortunately no one will believe him. I wonder why? Must have been a major party!

Hey, here's something interesting in the special Valentine issue, a space alien is gonna marry a two-headed Elvis clone. Well, why not? It could happen. Nothing is impossible. Ronald Reagan was elected president wasn't he?

Here's something about a wife leaving her cheating husband to the mattress. Sort of gives a new meaning to the term "stuck on you", doesn't it?

Chicken-faced boy found in hen house. Oh my god!!! Any kids except that.

Day-care center zaps kids with stun gun. Police charge that the owners of a day-care center used a 50,000 volt stun gun to zap bothersome children. Isn't that shocking? Get it? Shocking!!!!

Here's something about a grocery worker who found \$15,000 and returned every cent. Is he nuts? How many people would do that? If I found \$15,000, I'd have a new car.

Imelda Staunton bought 42 pairs of shoes (that's \$6,300 worth) in less than an hour. The girl I'm currently seeing takes longer than that to decide on one pair. Geez!!!

Doriana Fornasini was running to the bathroom with an awful stomach pain when suddenly she gave birth to a healthy six-pound baby boy, and she didn't even know that she was pregnant. Oh come on! You expect me to believe that? I suppose that there's some swamp land in Florida for me to buy too, huh?

Paddy (Paddy?!!?) and John Hall live with two swans, a fox, a cat, a dog, and a silver pheasant. Right! All they forgot was a partridge in a pear tree.

Ghastly beast has terrorized the English moors five centuries. Wow listen to this, a ghostly "devil dog" with bulging eyes that glow like red-hot coals is leaving a fiery trail of death across the fog-shrouded moors of England! Ooh! Sounds spooky doesn't it. Well, I'll tell you what since I didn't get any responses for the trip to Ohio—anyone interested in going to England drop by the Blazer office.

Dozens of motorists have been frightened and infuriated by a hitchhiking ghoul who scolds them about their driving habits and then vanishes into thin air. Oh, boy! Another ghost story. I swear it's enough to get a guy spooked. Get it? Spooked. What is it with all these ghost stories? I think that Ed and I will go exorcise them. Okay now deep knee bends, a one and a two. Sorry wrong exercise.

Here's a story that tells about Clint Eastwood's ten year old cousin. It seems his IQ's between 200 and 225 making him smarter than Einstein. Who cares?

"Plastic surgeon fixes fish," is the next headline. That sounds a little fishy. I mean does he do it for the halibut? HAHAAHA! Oh god I'm laughing so hard I'm coked over! HAHAAHA! Hey stop hitting me! They aren't that bad. Don't get me mad. You don't want to see my anchor (anchor-ah, get it?)

Bird lover is pecked to death by pets. Sounds like Hitchcock's revenge doesn't it?

Zodiac sign tells how sexy you are! Okay, I'm a Virgo let's see what it says. Sex isn't that important to Virgos. Huh, could have fooled me.

Well that's all I have room for this time. Remember - if I don't receive at least 50 responses by the next issue not only do I not pack away my typewriter, but I'll choose 100 of you at random, lock you in a room and force you to listen to 14 continuous hours of Barry Manilow (BHACKCK).

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JJC Players; More than just a theatrical group

By Julie McKend

The stage is set. Dim lights foreshadow an anticipated entrance. A certain quietness lurks among the audience as they wait for that final moment. Soon the stage will come alive with the antics of the J. C. Players as they recite their lines and perform, with finesse, the versatile acts of the theatre.

Scenes like these are familiar to the past performances of the J. C. Players, such as Kiss Me Kate, Equus, The Fantasticks, and Come Back Little Sheba. Today, the Players is one of the most active clubs on campus, due to their past musicals, dramas, and children's theatrical productions. So why are the J. C. Players so successful?

Involvement. Whether it be helping with behind the scenes production, performing on stage, or helping with the technical aspects involved. Theatre opens the door with so many ways of getting involved with different people. Kevin Walsh, president of the J. C. Players states, "The J. C. Players provides students with a strong sense of involvement and group comradery." Nicki Todorovich, technical director of the fine arts department and sponsor of the J. C. Players, encourages students to become involved with the Players. "People should definitely get involved. We can always use the help in many different ways."

Jerry Dorris, a J. C. Player stated, "When I was in high school I became interested in theatre, both with acting and in being technically involved. I have a good time and the people are fun to be around."

So what does it take to become a J. C. Player? LeAnn Hoffrogge, secretary, explains "The only requirement of being a Player is working on the show in some way, just get involved." Walsh added, "Most members have had some past high school or acting experience, but it's not required. Anyone can audition." The J. C. Players consist of 20-25 members and has been a part of JUCO for a long time. In fact,

Todorovich said "many of the props we have are from the theatre when it was at Central."

However, it doesn't stop with involvement. There are unlimited possibilities that go along with the charm of theatre. Recently, the Players attended The American College Theatre Festival where colleges compete for different scholarships. Todorovich explains, "The colleges are divided into two different regions to compete against one another." The two scholarships are different play competitions and the Irene Ryan scholarship.

Laine Cruikshank, 19, student, placed at the competition. J. C. Players have even had the opportunity to perform with actors from General Hospital and Fame.

Walsh also stated, "The Players are more than a theatrical group, it's a social club." They travel to other schools to see their performances and have been to Chicago to see many professional productions. In March they plan to see the musical Cabaret.

Charitable. The Players have held numerous fundraisers to help people in need. Dorris stated "Players helps people in need and that's very important." Through these fundraising efforts, they have been able to help organ transplant patients and set up their own scholarship fund. Todorovich explains, "It is a self-set up scholarship that is offered to two people every semester who audition. They must maintain certain academic requirements and be active in the club." Other fundraisers include a Man The Book Drop every semester where students are paid minimum wage, where they keep half and half goes towards the Players funds. They also have bake sales during school hours and on nights of productions.

Perhaps the most rewarding aspect of the J. C. Players is self satisfaction. Todorovich states "I enjoy working with the students. I've been in theatre since I was 14, I can't imagine my life complete

without some involvement in theatre in some way."

If strong involvement with people and acting seems appealing, auditions for the upcoming play Goodbye Charley will be Feb. 17 from 3 to 4:30 and Feb. 18 from 2 to 4 in the theatre. This comedy is about a charismatic male who is reincarnated as a woman. There are four men and three

women parts. William Fabrycki, director, said "Females may be casted as male parts." Todorovich suspects "students read about the play to gain some background information so they don't come to auditions cold." Copies of scripts are on reserve at the library.

As for performance, the result speaks for itself.



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Self-improvement courses offered at JJC

Three classes designed to help people realize their inner potential and understand their emotions will begin this month at the Main Campus of Joliet Junior College.

"Developing Your Artistic Imagination," a course which begins on February 16, is geared toward broadening a person's artistic expression. Classes meet at 7-9 p.m. on Mondays in Room K005 of the Main Campus, 1216 Houbolt Avenue, Joliet.

Gayle Toff will guide students toward breaking artistic "blocks" using various media in two-dimensional art. After 10 weeks, each student should have a sketchbook of ideas that can be produced as large-scale works.

To register for Developing Your Artistic Imagination, ask for course UNCL 721. The fee for the class is \$36.

Another course, "Sleep: What Is It and How To Get It," examines current research on sleep, myths, and dreams. Course instructor Martha Carlson will discuss insomnia, dreams, sleep cycles,

drowsiness, depression, stress, and sleep disorder centers.

The eight-week course meets in Room J402 at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, beginning February 17. To register, ask for UNCL 720. The fee for the course is \$36.

People who want a better understanding of emotions like grief, anger, and love may take the course "Divorce Adjustment and Personal Growth." The course will also help people learn how to build a support system of friends, which can aid adjustment to crises like separation or divorce.

The 10-week course meets in Room B201 at 7-10 p.m. on Thursdays, beginning February 19. Dr. Richard Dobbs, a psychologist, teaches the course.

To register, ask for UNCL 1004, Section 30. The fee for the class is \$48.

Registration for these or other JJC general interest courses may be accomplished by telephone. Call 744-2300 from the Joliet area; 942-4560 from Morris area; (815) 838-2174 from the Bolingbrook/Lemont area, or ask the operator for Enterprise 9020 from other communities in the college district.

"Kiss Me Kate" opens at Columbia theatre

Kiss Me Kate, the beloved Cole Porter musical about backstage life based on The Taming of the Shrew, opens Sunday, February 22, and runs through Sunday, March 8, at Columbia College's Emma and Oscar Getz Theater, 62 E. 11th St., Chicago. Previews will run Tuesday, February 17, through Saturday, February 21.

Chicago actor Bradley Mall, an artist-in-residence at Columbia College who has performed with theater groups all over Chicago, makes a guest appearance in a cameo role as a gangster. Estelle Spector, who most recently directed Edward Albee's Everything In The Garden and Julie Sayne's Sagar for the Open Stage Theater, is directing Kiss Me Kate, assisted by Sheldon Patinkin, artistic director of the Getz Theater and chair of Columbia's Theater/Music department. Michael Merritt is scenic designer. Jeffrey Maish is musical director, and Ronnie Comeau is choreographer.

Kiss Me Kate revolves around the activities of a Broadway theater company that is trying and a musical version of The Taming of the Shrew in Baltimore. It deals with the often humorous relationships of the actors and actresses as they reflect their roles in Shakespeare's play. The musical includes many well-loved Cole Porter tunes such as "Too Darn Hot," "So In Love," "Brush Up Your Shakespeare," and "Another Opening, Another Show."

Four Columbia students who participated in last summer's Musical Theater Workshop have also been cast in lead roles. Chris Gerbrecht repeats the role of Petruchio which he portrayed at Steppenwolf Theater last summer. Stephanie Galliano, who appeared last Christmas season in The Gift of the Magi at Stormfield Theater, is Katherine. Debbie Mingli, who has appeared in productions at the Drury Lane Oak Brook and Water Tower, is Hattie; and Patrick Ryan, who most recently appeared in the Musical

Theater Workshop plays The Real Life of Johnny De Facto and State Street, in Gremio.

Performance dates and times for Kiss Me Kate are as follows: Previews are Tuesday through Saturday at 8:00 p.m.; opening night performance on Sunday, February 22 at 7:00 p.m.; Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, February 26-28 at 8:00 p.m.; Sunday, March 1 at 3:00 p.m.; Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, March 5-7 at 8:00 p.m.; and Sunday, March 8 at 3:30 p.m.

Ticket prices for preview performances are \$5.00 and opening night tickets are \$10.00 (price includes reception after hours). Thursday and Sunday after-work prices are \$6.00, and Friday and Saturday tickets are \$9.00.

The final production in Columbia's mainstage 1986-87 season is Street Scene starring Justice St. John and Bernard Landis from April 7-25. In Columbia's Studio Theater, still to come are the Theodore Ward award-winning play John Doe Variations from March 15-21, and Spring Awakening from May 1-8.

For reservations to see Kiss Me Kate, call the Getz Theater box office at (312) 663-9465.



African masks at JJC

West African tribal masks will be exhibited in the Laura A. Sprague Art Gallery at Joliet Junior College from February 9-27.

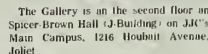
The exhibit, part of JJC's observance of Black History Month, contains pieces from the collection of Commander and Mrs. Neil Nokes. The Nokes family, who were stationed with the US Embassy of Monrovia, Liberia from 1969-71, collected more than 100 masks and sculptures from various tribes such as Dan, Yoruba, Senfo, Baule, and N'gore.

"Liberia," a wood and fiber mask from the Dan Tribe, was held against the head during tribal court testimony. According to legend, if the truth were told, this mask could not be pulled away.

The pieces have been part of the Memphis State University permanent loan collection since 1971.

The gallery is open at 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday. Evening hours are 6-8 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

The Gallery is on the second floor in Spicer-Brown Hall (J-Building) on JJC's Main Campus, 1216 Houbolt Avenue, Joliet.



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Sport News

Improving education

By Elaine Paszyra

There has been a problem in baseball over the last few years. Many of the athletes nationwide have been affected by it. The problem is the use of drugs to enhance performance. There's nothing funny about baseball's continuing drug problem. In the past five years 16 players have either admitted to having drug problems or have been convicted of drug-related charges. What is being done to prevent this problem?

First, general managers can consult a "drug list" of suspected players before making trades. According to John McHale, Montreal president, "Anytime you have a problem with a player or suspect a problem you can get investigative help from the commissioner's office."

Baseball became aware of illegal drugs in the early '70s. Secondly, Peter Dinkley, LA owner, was the first owner to start an Employee Assistance Program in 1979. Many other clubs also have EAPs. The program allows their employees to get confidential counseling for anything from drugs to depression.

Finally, the Players Association, a

management committee, and a retired drug therapist, Philadelphia physician Donald Otenberg, devised a joint drug policy. The policy states that a player can approach a club for help or a club can confront a player. If the player and club disagree on a course of action, the problem goes to a three-member medical panel. The player would continue to receive his full salary during off-season treatment or for the first 30 days of in-season care. Then, he would get half pay for the next 30 days' treatment, and then be paid out at a minimum of \$40,000 until he's able to perform again.

The commissioner retains the power to suspend players for committing felonies and misdemeanors, for distributing drugs to other players, and for using them at the ballpark.

The players are believed to have overwhelmingly supported the program in secret balloting.

I'm glad to see programs like these in use. But, whatever happened to the real measure of success and skill in the athlete by simply doing one's best?

Editor's Note: Information found in Sports Illustrated, March 28, 1984.

Women defeated by IVCC

By Bryan Kasprisin

The JJC women's basketball team remained winless in the NAC after a 71-45 setback at the hands of Illinois Valley Community College this past Saturday.

The Lady Wolves were paced by sophomore guard Julie Heavn who had a hot hand at the free throw line. Heavn was nine for nine at the line and added six points from the floor. Kathy Sukley also scored in double figures by pumping in 13 points before fouling out.

JJC trailed by just six points, 28-22, at the intermission, but just seemed to run

out of gas in the second half. Coach Jay Tapella commented, "We just don't have the bench strength. We only have six girls and when Kathy fouled out the girls had to play without a break. It is tough to compete short-handed, but these girls have a lot of heart." Before the addition of Ann Baizk Tapella's Wolves played every minute of every game and even played two games with four girls when they had foul trouble.

JJC dropped to 0-8 in the conference, after Saturday's game, and 2-1 overall. Action resumes at home this Saturday at three o'clock against Blackhawk East.

Blackhawk defeats JJC 92-76

By Donna Larkin

The Joliet Junior College men's basketball team dropped its record to 1-20 overall after facing a 92-76 loss to Blackhawk College Feb. 7.

JJC took a 5-0 lead in the first minutes of the game, and with 3-48 left in the first half, JJC was only four points behind, 38-34.

But Blackhawk used those remaining minutes to score eight more points, making the half-time score 46-34.

The Blackhawks led 75-53 with eight minutes left in the game, and removed their starters. JJC quickly gained 14 points, forcing the Blackhawks to return their starters to the floor, where they

finished with a 92-76 victory over the Wolves.

JJC Coach Phil Stanley thought JJC played a good defense most of the time. "In previous games, we always dug out into a hole that was just too big to get out of, but that was not the case. We were in a game."

The Wolves were led by Tony Shirk who scored 14 points. Derrick Herrington who left the game with a knee injury added 13 for JJC. Other high scorers were Bernard Winston with 12; Don Bedecker, 11; and Gil Cardec with 11 points.

The Wolves took on Thornton College tomorrow night at home.

Baseball season just around the corner

By Elaine Paszyra

It may be mid-winter now, but spring is just around the corner for the Joliet Junior College baseball team.

The team started early to prepare for the season which starts March 23. They began conditioning in late December when JJC held a two weekend clinic. Many topics were discussed and drills were conducted at that time.

JJC head baseball coach Wayne King said that official practices will start March 1 and go everyday for two hours.

"I want total concentration for that two hours," he said. "We should practice how we play."

The captains for the team have been chosen. They are Art DeGriff, a second baseman and outfielder, Phil Dunne, a second baseman and shortstop, Brett Kohler, a third baseman and catcher and J.D. Schaller, a center fielder.

"A first step, for any faculty that has not taken it, is to agree on what it hopes to have its students achieve and what sort of curriculum is most appropriate to achieve these ends," reports President Derek Birk of Harvard University.

"To be sure, one must try to keep matters in perspective. It is tempting to spend far too much time tinkering with requirements and engaging in protracted debates in pursuit of that elusive quarry, the 'perfect' curriculum. Such exercises divert attention from other improvements that are even more important to the process of learning."

"Still, the fact remains that any institution runs a serious risk if it does not have a full-scale review of its curriculum at least once every fifteen or twenty years. Properly conducted, such discussions are a way of calling together specialist scholars to consider their common aims. The interest aroused in such debates often draws more senior faculty into the teaching of basic courses."

"A revised curriculum also entails new courses, and new courses mean that professors must find fresh energy and vitality in the curriculum by trying out yellowed lecture notes and trying something different. More important still, while we know that universities can enjoy great success with widely varying requirements and educational philosophies, rarely has an institution performed as it should without a faculty that believed in what it was doing."

"In the absence of periodic discussion and review, a curriculum loses direction and slowly grows formless. No one understands the enterprise as a whole or how one's own efforts relate to those of one's colleagues. Thus, a faculty that has made considered choices of some common philosophy and some clear set of goals is vastly better off than one that struggles along with philosophy or goals at all."

"Beyond the curriculum, it is important to create an environment that rewards and encourages good teaching. Building such an environment is not a matter of one's decisive initiative. It requires a variety of incentives for better instruction that will complement the rewards already given for excellence in research."

"Among these incentives, one is surely to pay explicit attention to the quality of teaching, in addition to research, in deciding on appointments and promotions. Another is to encourage careful, systematic evaluation that will give useful feedback to instructors to help

them discover areas of weakness in their classes."

"A third is to offer modest grants to faculty members wishing to revise their courses or to experiment with new methods of teaching. A fourth is to give assistance to young instructors who need to develop their pedagogic skills. Such help may come through written materials, but the most effective is the use of videotape to allow instructors to watch themselves in the act of teaching under the eye of an objective observer."

Together these initiatives and others like them can build a greater concern for the quality of instruction and give support to those who wish to improve. Important as they are, encouraging good teaching and fashioning a curriculum are not enough. Several other basic steps seem important in helping students to learn more effectively."

"For example, once a faculty agrees on a curriculum, the goals need to be communicated to students and related in a deliberate fashion to the teaching of individual courses. It will be helpful for members of departments to meet frequently to deliberate and discuss ways of adapting their teaching and homework assignments to make sure that the shared objectives are not forgotten and the welter of private aims and individual interests."

"Faculty members will also profit from discussing ways of crafting their examinations to reinforce their common aims, since exams have a marked influence over the manner in which students study for their courses. Finally, students will need to receive prompt and ample feedback on their papers and exams in order to help them understand their strengths and weaknesses and gain a clear conception of what constitutes superior performance."

"Although these steps seem obvious, they are not always followed, at least in research universities. One can examine the catalogues and brochures of many institutions and never find a detailed explanation of the goals that the faculty expect its students to achieve. The numbers of schools and departments, professors rarely meet to discuss how to adapt their teaching to achieve shared objectives."

"The crafting of examinations is virtually unknown as a topic of serious discussion. Instead, faculty members usually construct their tests almost instinctively, using as models other exams they have observed over the years. Feedback on papers and tests is almost never given, as desired. In university colleges, for example, most of the grading is typically left to graduate students, and comments are often perfunctory or nonexistent."

"Universities should consider doing more to measure the impact of their programs and to evaluate their methods of instruction. Without assessment of this kind, faculties will never be able to proceed by an enlightened process of trial and error to improve the quality of teaching and learning."

Player Spotlight

By Bryan Kasprisin

At 5'7" Sue DeCrane would not be your typical choice to play the role of the big woman on a college basketball team.

Out of necessity though, DeCrane has been thrust into a position which is dominated by players who average 6'11". At 5'7" she towers over her five other teammates who average 5'4", so it is easy to see why Jay Tapella, women's basketball coach, has decided to play DeCrane where he does.

DeCrane, a freshman from Joliet Central, played guard during her prep career, so she is playing a position which is brand new to her.

Despite her lack of experience and lack of height DeCrane still manages a bit of success against other centers. She credits her success to the skills she mastered when she was a prep. "I am quicker than my opponents. I can cut off a pass or slap the ball away after they rebound," said DeCrane. She also says her ability to handle the ball and move out of the middle to shooter her taller opponents is why she can play in the middle.

When she is not on the court Sue DeCrane, like other teammates carries a part time job at a dry cleaning store. DeCrane is studying for a degree in elementary education and would like to attend a smaller four year college after her graduation from JJC. She would also like to continue her basketball career after she leaves JJC, but cited that decision is still a few years away.

DeCrane has the opportunity to watch Sue DeCrane and the rest of the Lady Wolves play this Saturday at three o'clock against Blackhawk East.

Bears to play basketball

Joliet area residents will have an opportunity to see members of the NPC Central Division Champions Chicago Bears when they play the faculty of the College of St. Francis in a benefit basketball game on Friday, February 20.

The "Good News Bears," as they are known when they don basketball uniforms, will match up against CSF at 7:30 p.m. in the new new Bears Club. All proceeds from the game will benefit the George Werden Buck Boy's Club and the College of St. Francis Leadership Fund. An autograph session with all Bears players will follow the game.

This is the second meeting between the Bears and the CSF faculty. Last year, Tom Bester, Dave Duse, and Tom Basnagel led the Bears to victory before a sold-out crowd at the Joliet Armory.

Tickets for the game are \$7 for the general and can be obtained by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope along with a check or money order to: Good News Bears, c/o College of St. Francis, 500 W. Wilex St., Joliet, IL 60433. Tickets can also be purchased at the College from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Reservations can also be made after hours by calling 740-3818 and leaving a message.

The game is cosponsored by CSF and Kemmerer Bottling Company.

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A JJC Teachers Union representative watches the ballot box at the recent Union vote in which the Union agreed to a two-year contract altered by the JJC Board. The ratification ends a year of negotiations between JJC teachers and the Board of Trustees.

Union, Board ratify two-year contract

By Dottie Olsen

After more than one year of negotiations, the Joliet Junior College Teachers' Union and the Board of Trustees reached a contract agreement on Feb. 26. The contract was approved in a special session of the board that evening. The agreement was reached amidst accusations of information leaks and compromises.

Teachers received a 10 percent salary increase in the settlement. Before this agreement, the average teacher's salary was \$33,209. The increase will raise the average salary to \$35,202 this fiscal year and \$37,314 next fiscal year. This will bring the total cost of base salaries to over \$5.6 million by next fiscal year.

Other benefits agreed upon include higher early retirement benefits, a raise from 56 percent of a year's salary over a three year period to 71 percent, a higher number of allowed accumulated sick days up to 210 maximum, and the benefit of free health insurance until age 65 for early retirees.

In the previous contract the free insurance was given for a period of five years.

Paul Brinkman, JJC vice president of Business, said the college's bill for reaching a settlement is estimated at \$15,000.

JJC Board Chairman Patricia Schneider had only brief comments about the settlement. "The board feels glad it is settled. We feel it is a fair contract to both parties."

Union President Dave LaLand, however, was more responsive with his views. "Not satisfied. Most of the faculty are not

satisfied. It's a compromise agreement. We are pleased that a settlement has been reached without a strike."

"There are several things we are unhappy about," LaLand said. "The long negotiations were very unsetting. It is difficult to concentrate on education throughout this much distress."

The teachers wanted to concentrate on teaching, not haggling, LaLand said.

"This is a compromise situation, and some people are always unhappy with a compromise. There are still issues the faculty needs to settle. This is only a two year contract. Next year's contract begins to negotiate before March, 1988," LaLand said, adding that he is certain some of the same issues discussed this year will come up again at that time.

"One of our biggest concerns is about the differential between credit hours and contact hours," LaLand said. Teachers are currently being paid by the credit hour.

"Teachers who have lab classes spend just as much time preparing for those classes as they do lecture classes, so why should they be paid less for lab hours?" LaLand said.

The contract did not receive unanimous approval from the JJC Board. Board member Joyce Heap cast the lone dissenting vote. Heap said she is not opposed to the contract in general but voted no to show her displeasure with the board member who leaked information from closed door board meetings to the Teachers' Union.

Heap refused to name the board member, a Joliet Herald-News story on Feb. 27 said that they had learned the board member who leaked the information was Rosalynne Gillespie. Gillespie could not be reached for comment at the time of this writing.

Students are happy to have the contract ratified. The main concern was averting a strike and continuing education. That goal has been reached.

Prevention conference to be held April 4

The Will County In Touch Prevention and the Joliet Junior College Student Government are sponsoring a BE SMART DON'T START Prevention Conference on Saturday, April 4 at Joliet Junior College from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Admission is \$5.00 per person for the cost of a buffet lunch. A variety of speakers will be attending the prevention conference ranging from prevention expert Arnie Bachigalup to a member of the Chicago Bears.

The topics to be discussed at the seminar are: parenting skills, prevention for special students, the alcoholic family, prevention strategies for the minority community, warning signs of chemical dependency, and many others.

Aside from there being a great deal of information at the seminar, there will also be entertainment. The Explosive Rockers Street Jazz Theatrical Troupe, a break dancing duo, will provide entertainment. The duo will appear from 1:00-1:30 p.m. The seminar will be held in the theater. For more information on the seminar and to register, persons should call (815) 942-9024 Ext. 231, and ask for Joan or Kirby.

Two students win art awards

The works of two area artists were selected in the competition, "Joliet Junior College: Yesterday and Today," held in conjunction with the college's 25th anniversary.

Drawings by Debra Tkach, of Coal City, and Ed Girard, of Joliet, will be added to the college's permanent collection and will be used in college publications.

Both drawings depicting the college's heritage were chosen by a jury of JJC faculty and staff. The contest was sponsored by the JJC Foundation.

Tkach, who teaches art at Coal City Community High School, is a graduate of Joliet Junior College and Northern Illinois University. She has taught in the Coal City schools for 5 1/2 years.

Girard, a freelance illustrator, is also a graduate of JJC and NIC. His work was on display in JJC's Laura A. Sprague Art Gallery last fall.

The Main Campus of Joliet Junior College is at 1216 Hoxbush Avenue, Joliet.

Student-trustee referendum election March 25

By Donna Larkin

Students will vote on a referendum to change the way the campus student trustee is elected when they vote for a new student trustee on March 25.

The Student Government has presented the referendum which would require all student trustee candidates to be interviewed and evaluated from pre-established criteria by a selection committee. The committee would be made up of elected-appointed members of SGA.

If this referendum is passed, the voting process for student trustee will be eliminated.

Voting for both student trustee and the referendum will be held on the main campus only from 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. on March 25. This election system has been changed from past years when ballots were sent to all students. Satellite students will have to come to the main campus to cast their

vote. Absentee ballots are available in the Student Affairs Office, H1091.

Students interested in the office had to turn in a signed petition to the Student Affairs office before March 13 to have their name on the ballot. Candidates who decide not to run must submit a withdrawal by March 18.

"Meet the Candidates" will be held in the theatre on March 18 at noon. This session will allow the students to become better acquainted with the candidates and their ideas.

Those who qualify to run for student trustee, the candidate must have earned at least eight hours of credit at JJC, and be enrolled for at least eight hours each semester of his term of office. Candidates for student trustee can not be full nor part-time employees of JJC.

Results of the election will be posted March 26.

Seminar offered

Nurses can increase their knowledge of intravenous therapy by attending "The Expanding World of IV Therapy" at the Joliet Junior College Main Campus from 7-9 p.m. on Wednesday, March 18.

The seminar will benefit nurses who are beginning practice in hospitals, nursing homes or the home health care field, where IV therapy is becoming more prevalent.

Dani Gale, a JJC Nursing Education Department instructor, will discuss central venous access devices: types, complications and maintenance, total protein nutrition, indications, contents and nursing management.

Gale has worked in IV therapy at St. Joseph Medical Center in Joliet, and as a clinical specialist in hematology and oncology at Illinois Veterans Administration Hospital in Maywood. She has presented several seminars in the area.

The seminar, sponsored by the JJC Nursing Continuing Education Program, will be in Room J-406 and will cost \$6.

For more information on this and other seminars, call Cathy Schley at 729-9020, Ext. 493.

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Larkin Laments

By Donna Larkin, Editor

Some mail is easy to identify as junk mail. One specific type has been making its way to the Blazer office.

At first the mail was amusing. Now I don't even bother reading it. It goes right into the trash can.

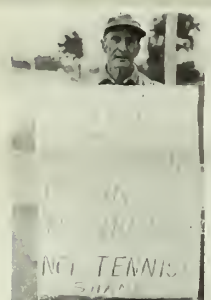
Postcards and envelopes with a xeroxed picture of me on the front are sent to the Blazer office from Arthur Behnke, the man who picketed Joliet Junior College earlier this school year and last year.

Behnke packed up his signs and went home many months ago, but his "Truth grams" and xeroxed copied letters started piling into the Blazer office as soon as he left JJC's entrance.

I never have to worry about not getting mail at the Blazer office. Nearly every day I can look forward to another stack of mail from Behnke.

When Behnke first started picketing this year, I spoke with him and some of his complaints seemed legitimate. After the mail started pouring in, I realized that Behnke isn't telling us anything new. Behnke's complaints date back years. The issues he cites have already been printed and are public knowledge.

Behnke rattles on about a descendant a former trustee got for his daughter's wedding at the Renaissance Center, which occurred, and was printed in the Joliet Herald-News years ago.



Arthur Behnke packed up his signs and went home long ago, but he still voices his opinions through letters he sends to the Blazer office.

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He criticizes board members and administrators alike, accusing a JJC President of sending \$70 worth of flowers to himself at a school function and charging it to the school.

Behnke's mail is unreliable since many of his letters are copies of letters he has supposedly received from others. Who's to know if the copies are legitimate? Anyone who has received a letter from a businessman can type a letter and set the business heading on top to make the xerox look like an official letter.

More importantly, who really cares? I've gotten numerous letters on the same subject, saying the same exact thing. If the news was new astonishing facts that a green martian from Mars told Behnke, maybe I'd be interested, but reading the same materials over and over again is not worth my time.

Behnke's "Truth grams" are merely Behnke's photographs on how JJC should be run. There is no factual truth in them; they are simply the opinions of Behnke.

When Behnke's letters first started coming in, I read them. It became almost a game with the editors to see what Behnke would write about next.

Now the amusement is gone. His letters are old and boring. Behnke is out to criticize anything and anyone who has the unfortunate luck of crossing his path. He has criticized past editors because they have not talked to him and have printed things that give him a bad profile.

Well, I have talked to Behnke, and he is the one who has created his own bad profile. Behnke has called me a racist because I printed a story on a JJC trustee who was charged with bribery. Not once was race implied or mentioned in the story.

Behnke thinks I am lazy because I only express my opinion in the newspaper. Behnke suggests I "picket the houses of the board members."

Firstly, I got a lot more students attention through this column than I would standing in front of one person's house.

Secondly, I am a full time student and have a second part-time job. I rarely have time to do my homework, fulfill responsibilities, and see friends, let alone travel all over the area to stand in front of someone's house, raise hell, and probably get arrested.

Maybe when I'm Behnke's age and retired, I'll allow myself some time to experience that adventure. Right now, I can think of a lot more exciting ways to raise hell.

Commentary "Amerika" is immature

By Ed Wisniewski

If you just haven't been watching your television set lately, you don't know that the ABC Mini-series, *Amerika* is the media event of the year. It is about the Soviet Take Over of the United States and what life would be like under them. An interesting idea to say the least but a very immature one.

I had thought that the cold war ended when I was seven years old and the final helicopters flew out of Saigon, I understand the evils of Communism without having some melodramatic TV show telling me.

What frightens me is that people consider this movie to be an actual fact of what life might be like under the Soviets. Just have a long talk with someone that lived through the riots in Czechoslovakia in 1968 and they will tell you it is much worse. Better yet, talk to an immigrant from Poland and he'll tell you horror stories about how solidarity was crushed.

Mini-series like *Amerika*, and movies like *Red Dawn*, don't help the understanding between nations. Don't let that fool you, there should be more understanding between nations but people should realize that what Karl Marx put on paper and what is going on in the Soviet Union are two completely different things. Communism is evil and should be explained as such but that should not prevent us from trying to understand the Soviet Union.

I don't blame the world problems as the Soviet Union, I blame them on the Communist party bullying other nations into doing its bidding and the United States for having selfish interests in mind when dealing with other nations.

We don't need Mini-series and movies to tell us how bad the Commies are. We need to watch uncensored news reports from Afghanistan to see what is happening to the

people there. Look at the Communist dictatorship in Ethiopia and see a government starve its own people. We need to see Poland were Leszek Waleza, the Nobel Peace Prize winner, can't receive his award because he will never be allowed back in the country.

Television and we should look at the Soviet Union and their Communist government like the bully that lives down the block. We should feel sorry for him but as soon as he gets out of line, let's give him the beating he deserves.

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FBI visits Criminal Justice Association

By John Buehl

FBI special agent Ivan Harris visited JCCA Thursday, Feb. 19, to discuss the procedures for entering into the bureau as a special agent. Special agent Harris said that the FBI is in need of recruits because of the great many agents that will be retiring soon. Said agent Harris, "Some 35-45% of the special agents are at the age now when they can retire. We will receive about 12,000 applications this year, and of those applicants, the FBI will admit about 800." Harris also said that that figure is much higher than what the FBI usually hires in a year.

The FBI has somewhere in the neighborhood of \$10,000 special agents working in the United States and abroad.

The process of getting into the FBI is a lengthy one. The average waiting time to actually "get in" is 30 months.

There are four steps to getting into the FBI: the first step is the 12 page application; the second step is the three-part written test consisting of history, spelling and three personality tests; the third step, if you make it that far, is an oral interview with three special agents; and the fourth step is a four-week background check.

UCLA to start policing fraternities

In an unprecedented move, UCLA Chancellor Charles Young has allocated \$50,000 of administrative funds "for policing" fraternities and sororities. "I'll probably get in trouble for using this word, but this (the money) is for policing them," Young told the Student Fee Advisory Council recently.

"By policing, I mean the approval process, the following up on requirements making certain that rules and regulations (are followed) - the same kinds of things we do with all the other offices."

While fraternities and sororities were directly affiliated with UCLA through their governing bodies, this year sororities have signed direct affiliation document and the Interfraternity Council voted recommending direct affiliation. Under the "direct affiliation" document, UCLA will have more direct disciplinary control over Greek houses than in the past years.

Larry Pierce, administrative analyst for SFAC, said \$50,000 of funds comes from the chancellor's resources and \$20,000 comes from Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Winston Dobb's resources.

Asked if the Greek system would be contributing to the fund, Young responded, "This isn't for providing services for them. They don't take too kindly to being policed in the first place. They didn't come to us and ask for this (the money). They are coming kicking and screaming into the

where the FBI takes to just about everybody you ever met.

The qualification level for the FBI is very high. Not only do special agent candidates have to be citizens of the US with good vision and hearing, but they also must have a college degree with at least three years' full-time work experience. The bureau is also stressing that candidates be fluent in at least one foreign language, preferably Spanish or Russian. Harris also mentioned that the average age of an agent is his/her first year out in the field is close to 30.

Once a qualified candidate is chosen into the FBI, he/she will travel to Quantico, VA for a 16-week training period where the cadet will undergo mental, physical and firearms training. During the training period special agent cadets must keep an 85% average in the mental and physical area and a 75-80% average in the firearms area.

FBI special agents will be qualified in two weapons: .38 Smith and Wesson and 12 gauge shotgun.

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new order (direct affiliation). So to ask them now to direct the policing that we're going to lay on them would create some problems. If this would be providing services for them, it would be a different matter.

"But we're doing the same thing we have to do for all other student organizations," Young said. Asked if permanent funding for the Fraternity and Sorority Relations Office as a "high priority" item, Young responded, "It's something we have to do. But then there are a lot of priorities."

"The committee ought to take a look at the situation, look at it in context. And if you believe, as you would with anything else, that that's an inappropriate source for funding, let me know. As you know, I may have to go ahead and do it anyway for one reason or another. But I'd like to know what you people think about it." SFAC meets with the chancellor periodically.

Speaking also during a meeting with community members, Young explained UCLA's reasoning behind affiliation.

"The reasoning is clear, whether we had any real control or not, the public thinks we do and thinks we ought to. We now have rules of direct affiliation by which we can extract some control on fraternities. I think this will have some meaningful impact and should improve our relationship with the community," Young said.

Fabrycki named state champion

By Donna Larkin

"No one from JJC has ever won this award before, and I'm relatively sure I won't ever again," Dean of Students, Henry Pittard said about Leanne Fabrycki winning collegiate state champion in the state speech tournament.

Leanne Fabrycki, a full-time Joliet Junior College student and Joliet West high school student, beat all college students in two areas becoming the Illinois Collegiate State Champion in extemporaneous speaking and in impromptu speaking.

Fabrycki surpassed all junior college competition and competed against students from senior institutions in the final round of competition before she won the award at the 1987 State Speech Tournament which was held Feb. 13 and 14 at Northern Illinois University.

JJC placed third overall in the junior college competition. Bill Zupanec also advanced beyond the junior college level, and took sixth place in impromptu speaking. Zupanec also was sixth place in the junior college poetry interpretation category.

Fabrycki also placed fifth in the junior college division in informative speaking. Overall she placed third in the Illinois Junior College competition.

Fabrycki does not currently attend

Joliet West, but will graduate from West in June. At West, Fabrycki was on the speech team her sophomore and junior years. This is Fabrycki's second semester at JJC. She is carrying 20 credit hours.

Fabrycki has competed in five speech contests this year and has placed in each contest.

With many accomplishments behind her, Fabrycki is always improving. "I don't set goals. I just hope to do my best," Fabrycki said.

Fabrycki and Zupanec will attend the National Speech Tournament in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin in April. The JJC speech team is under the direction of Coach Ed Nutter.



JJC instructor writes book

By Katie Larkin

Dr. Robert Sterling, Chairman of JJC's Social Science Department, has reached a goal that he has much to be proud of.

After approximately one year of dedicated work and concentration, Sterling's book, "Joliet: A Pictorial History," has reached publication and is now available at any branch of the First National Bank of Joliet.

Sterling was approached by G. Bradley Publishing Inc. to write a book about the local history of Joliet. The First National Bank of Joliet sponsored the project completely. Joliet: A Pictorial History contains approximately 380 pictures illustrating Joliet's past lifestyle, dress, business, transportation and landscape.

"The most difficult part of putting together the book was trying to decide which pictures to use. I had 1,200 to pick from," said Sterling. Many of the pictures which appear in his book come from his own collection while others are borrowed.

Sterling's book made its first debut at the First National Bank of Joliet on Dec. 19, 1986 for a price of \$19.95 (cover price \$30). "They started out with 2,000 copies and have sold 1,600 so far. We're really getting a positive response," said Sterling.

Nineteen years ago, Sterling began at JJC as one of the youngest teachers on staff. Therefore, when the Social Science Department prepared a new local history course, Sterling was assigned the job of instructing the class.

Born in Joliet and living in the area most of his life, he still knew much research was in store for him. This is where his interest of Joliet's past history actually started. "I used a lot of old newspapers which I still rely on. Newspapers go back much farther than people's memories," he said.

Sterling may be pursuing his writing in the future. "I have in mind of doing some shorter supplements," he said. The idea still in consideration is a book concerning on the History of Sports in Joliet. "I've been asked to do the history of Frankfort by a FARS (Frankfort Area Historical Society) representative. I'm just considering it now," Sterling said.

Past publications of Sterling include the Pictorial History of Will County, Volume I and Volume II both written and published himself.

Summer registration begins

Registration for Joliet Junior College summer classes has already begun.

A wide variety of day and evening classes are scheduled during the summer. Schedules for these classes are divided into two separate sessions. The summer one session will begin May 18 and end June 26. The second session will start June 29 and end August 7.

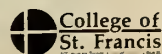
To register for classes persons may call 744-2260 from Joliet, 942-4500 from Morris, 1815 839-2174 from the Bolingbrook/Lemont area, or dial the operator and ask for Enterprise 9620 from any other community in the college district.

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Peer tutoring is an answer to your problems

By Barb Vass

The supply of coffee ran out. Those munchies are gone and so is half the night. Books are piled high, and those precious homework problems (still unsolved) are laughing in your face. HELP? Ah, the cries of the common student are heard loud and clear at the JJC academic skills center. A special tutoring program is offered to any student who needs assistance in a certain academic area.

The tutoring program is currently headed by Natalie Miller and Helen Linden. Sandy Bernier, one of the secretaries at the center has seen the improvement in the students grades during the past two and a half years that she has been employed there.

The Academic Skills Center (ASC) officially opened in 1967 with the title of "English Class." It was located in the classrooms. In 1971 a new name was established "Lab Reading/Writing" located in the 8 building for five years. The title of Academic Skills Center was established in 1975 and then the location was moved to the J building where it is still

located today. Peer tutoring started in 1977 with the two subjects of English and math, followed in succession each year with chemistry and accounting (1978), anatomy and physiology (1979), physics and technical math (1980), music (1981) and computer science (1982).

The skill center offers free peer tutoring, reading and writing courses and general academic assistance. There are 12 student peer tutors that are hired through the school. The tutors involved are: Kelly Burke, music; Dan Cornelius and Sue Gridings, electrical electronics automated systems (CEAS); Vicki Eibel, computer science; Sharon Grace, accounting; Brian Novy, electronics; Patricia Shue, English; Dan Tati and Shelly Ureche, math; Mark Satterthwait, anatomy and physiology; and Hoang Tran, chemistry and physics.

Students who are interested in becoming a peer tutor must be referred through the department chairperson and have to be high in academic standing. The peer tutors work directly out of the lab itself since over the phone tutoring is not permitted.

The Academic Skills Center is open from 7:30 a.m. until 9 p.m. in room J2033.

Lung Association to sponsor clinics

Clinics to help you stop smoking or lose weight are being sponsored by the American Lung Association of North Central Illinois on Tuesday, March 31 at Joliet Junior College, 1216 Houbolt Avenue, Joliet. The clinics will be conducted by group-hypnotist John Greer, President, Breakaway Techniques.

The results of a one-year follow-up study to determine the effectiveness of the techniques used by Breakaway was released in June, 1985. The study, conducted by Louisiana State University, showed that after only (54%) of the 500 participants evaluated either stopped entirely or decreased the amount they smoked after attending the clinics.

"The participants' motivation and desire to stop smoking or get rid of that extra weight is one of the key ingredients to the success of our program. Hypnosis can be of dramatic help if you really want to make those changes in your life," stated Greer.

Participants will be hypnotized three times during the 90 minute program. A cassette tape and literature will be provided for home use to reinforce the suggestions given during the clinic.

The stop smoking clinic will be held at 6:30 p.m. and weight control clinic at 8:30 p.m. To register for the program, or for additional information, call the American Lung Association at (312) 553-7000.

Campus Paperback Bestsellers

1. The Far Side Galaxy 2, by Gary Larson (Andrews, McKelvey, \$4.95) Collection of Far Side cartoons.
2. Women who Love too Much, by Robert Hoodwood (Pocket, \$4.50) How to avoid the pitfalls of unhealthy relationships.
3. The Handmaid's Tale, by Margaret Atwood (Bantam, \$4.95) Chilling portrait of a future reality not too far away.
4. Lie Down with Lions, by Ken Follet (NAL Signet, \$4.95) Romantic suspense and mystery located in Afghanistan.
5. Bloom County Baby, by Berke Breathed (Little Brown, \$12.95) Bloom County comic strip.
6. The Marshmallow Men, by Jean de La Font (Bantam, \$4.95) Sequel to The Valley of the Wolves.
7. It Came From the Far Side, by Gary Larson (Andrews, McKelvey, \$4.95) The latest cartoons from the Far Side.
8. The Hunt for Red October, by Tom Clancy (Bantam, \$4.50) The incredible chase of a nuclear submarine.
9. Death Angel, by J.P. Andrews (Pocket, \$4.95) The saga of the Calabrian ferry continuum.
10. Out on a Limb, by Sherry MacLennan (Bantam, \$4.50) A story self-revealing by MacLennan.

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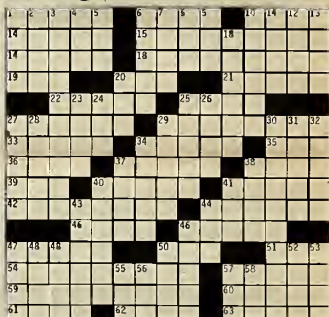
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A listing of new and recommended books, tapes, records, films, and video.

- Crimes of the Heart**, by Beth Henley (Penguin, \$4.95) Winner of the Pulitzer prize and now a major motion picture.
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- The Bones of My Generation**, by David Foster Wallace (Penguin, \$7.95) An intelligent and deeply moving novel probing into the attitudes of our system.

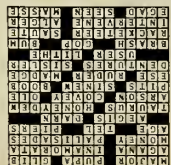
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ACROSS

- 1 Show play.
- 2 "Barbers"
- 6 Insect stage
- 10 Smooth talking
- 14 Gum's capital
- 15 Female lover
- 17 Something that talks
- 18 Part
- 19 Application item
- 20 — Aviv
- 21 Harbor fixtures
- 22 Sponsorship
- 23 End
- 27 Indiac sign
- 29 — melon
- 31 A major crime
- 34 Bunch of buntings
- 35 Indolent cheer
- 36 Racetrack parts
- 37 Strength
- 38 Dunc
- 39 Compass point
- 40 Less refined
- 41 Address — Evans
- 42 False teeth
- 44 Baseball hall-of-famer
- 45 Patron
- 46 Bending readily
- 47 Impetuous
- 50 — initials
- 51 Hobo
- 54 Extortionist, e.g.
- 57 Fan-fry
- 59 Come between
- 60 Creator of Ragged
- 61 "My goodness!"
- 62 Viewed
- 63 Stillhard stroke
- 1 "I Remember"
- 2 Excited
- 3 English novelist
- 4 (2 wds.)
- 5 Bob and
- 6 Voicebox (slang)
- 7 Single
- 8 "Jeez"
- 9 Paris' charm
- 10 Less refined
- 11 Take on cargo
- 12 Roman road
- 13 Jazz instrument
- 16 Large hawk
- 20 Musical notes
- 23 God of love
- 24 Starter of a race
- 25 State capital
- 26 Again
- 27 Like many TV shows
- 28 Have origin
- 29 Sharpens
- 30 Larvae
- 31 Funeral oration
- 32 Unit of electricity
- 34 Shyries with tide, in old song
- 35 Certain
- 36 Party
- 40 Football player
- 41 School in Cambridge
- 43 Like elephants
- 44 Use a straw
- 46 Movie beauty
- 47 French cheese
- 48 Sounded
- 49 Beards: Lat.
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Running Amuck

By Bryan Kasparsian

When I promised you a review of the Beastie Boys album, "Licensed to Ill" I had no way of realizing how ill this album was going to make me. So instead of reviewing two albums that I hated on consecutive columns, I've decided to turn you on to what just may be the hottest rock-n-roll album of the year.

The Dave Edmunds Band "Live - I Hear You Rockin'" is a collection of the Welsh Rockers' greatest hits. It seems like each old rock'n'roll Dave Edmunds band to basics style of rock-n-roll will never go out of date.

Edmunds took his collection of concert recordings from arenas across the US and England to put together his live album. The energy and excitement that Edmunds is famous for during this appearance is captured on this effort. He gives you the feeling that you are actually at the concert.

This album ranges from the twangy guitar cuts like "Girls Talk" and "Crawling Through the Wreckage" to the closely knit harmonizing vocals, ala the Everly Brothers, on "Queen of Hearts" and "Here Comes the Weekend." Edmunds and crew also add a bit of nostalgia to this LP by covering Dion's classic, "The Wanderer."

Edmunds, together with his longtime backup band have produced what just may be their strongest effort to date with "I Hear You Rockin'". This release is proof positive that like old Levi's this vintage rocker is not ready to give way to what is considered the new style.

I highly recommend the Dave Edmunds Band "Live - I Hear You Rockin'" because this is the kind of album you can keep and in 20 years will still be considered good old time Rock-N-Roll.

OK, it's time for our Top Ten list. Here are the Top Ten albums that you won't find on Billboard, according to me:

1. Dead or Alive, "Bad, Mad and Dangerous To Know"
2. Communards, "Communards"
3. Pretenders, "Get Close"
4. Steve Miller, "Living In The 20th Century"
5. World Party, "Private Collection"
6. Eric Clapton, "August"
7. Los Lobos, "By The Light of the Moon"
8. Husker Du, "Warehouse: Songs and Stories"
9. Jason and the Scorchers, "Still Standing"
10. Dave Edmunds Band, "Live - I Hear You Rockin'"

Black History Month observed

By Barb Vass

This past month, JJC students and the surrounding community were in observance of Black History Month, an annual observance in February. This past month commemorated achievements and current status of Black Americans. It coincides with the birthdays of the great leaders such as Frederick Douglass (Feb. 14) and Abraham Lincoln (Feb. 12).

The idea for an observance honoring the accomplishments of Black Americans led to the establishment of Negro History Week in 1926. It was proposed by Carter Woodson, a historian known as the Father of Black History. The observance became known as Black History Week during the early 1970s and was established as Black History Month in 1976. The Black History Month is sponsored by the Association of the Study of Afro-American Life and History (ASALH), founded in 1915 by Mr. Woodson. At the college, members of the BRO-SIS Club and the office of Minority and Intercultural Affairs presented a program for the month of February to observe Black History Month. There were eight programs scheduled all together. Starting on Feb. 7 JAMISCEP (Joint Area Math, Science, and Computer Educational Enrichment Program) was held from 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. "The Spirit of Africa," a West African art exhibit was on display from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. at Laura Sprague Art Gallery. On the 13th Dennis Brutus, a poet and author from the University of Pittsburgh, led a poetry reading and discussion at the Renaissance Center. Following that, the "Soul Food Extravaganza" was held on the 18th. Mary Frances, the guest chef also performed a cooking demonstration. CIDSA, the Coalition for Illinois Divestment from South Africa was also in action the 18th. At the Rialto Square Theatre a production, "I Can't Stop Now" was held on Feb. 23 from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. This program featured the Katherine Dunham Dancers and Unity Theatre of Southern IL at Edwardsville.

Sonia Sanchez, a poet and author from Temple University held a "Brown Bag Lecture Series" on the 23th. The College of St. Francis hosted JAMISCEP the 28th, at which Ms. Sanchez made an appearance. Ms. Sanchez was very active writing 12 books, contributing editor to Black Scholar and Journal of African Studies and recipient of four prestigious awards. Ms. Sanchez also has lectured at over 500 universities and colleges in the US and also to seven other countries. J. Q. Adams, coordinator of Black History Month at JUCO, commented that Ms. Sanchez was an "admirable poet and activist." The support for these events turned out to be decent with the performance "I Can't Stop Now" at the Rialto numbering around 1,300 people.

If you are interested in getting involved in bettering relations with students or would like to get involved, contact J. Q. Adams or attend one of the meetings of the BRO-SIS Club.

by Darren Hughes

Snorkin': Portrait of a Less Than Average Guy



Origins, Game Con and Battle Tech

It is that time of year that most of the game distribution houses have not received any new or interesting releases. This time the game review will focus on some gaming news and convention announcements. But before all that, something must be said about the latest lad to hit the gaming world: BattleTech.

What's all the excitement about? The game premise is that it is the 31st century and civilization is in a state of ruin. Where the interplanetary federation once stood, there is now five successor states, fighting over the planets left with breathable atmospheres and factories that supply spare parts for their machines of death: the BattleMechs.

BattleMech isn't something that our world like to meet in a dark alley around midnight. To quote Isaac Asimov it wouldn't be possible for a "Mech" to fit in an alley at all unless the surrounding real estate isn't valued all that much. The typical "Mech" stands anywhere between 40 and 100 feet tall and can weigh up to 500 tons. All of them are armed with plasma cannons, rocket launchers, and lasers. And all of them are piloted by lunatics called MechWarriors, hired mercenaries for the successor states.

These mercenaries are organized into professional regiments of BattleMechs, providing a source of allegiance for most of the characters.

The playtesting of BattleTech was in 1985 under the tentative name of BattleBroads. At the time it was all new, different, and interesting game that a person could play with little or no set up time and

enjoy. Many took great pleasure in taking a too-ton "Mech" and slugging it out with other giant robots, even slugging was fun. But unfortunately, movement has now become more complex, and to determine whether the laser hits the intended target a player must run through various charts for 15 minutes.

BattleTech is a complex and interesting game that is worth the \$20, but if any not be sure if the player can't spend the time necessary for the system.

In other game news: Origins, the best and most organized science fiction gaming convention in the United States will not be embroiled with GenCon in 1988. Thanks to a fallout between the Midwest Wargamers Association and TSR Hobbies Inc. It appears as if Origins will be held closer to home at Northern Illinois University in 1988.

Ital Pinella miniatures is making a comeback. After some financial problems, and a radical change in staff, they're starting to ship some new materials out, and have come up with figures for the Italian role-playing game.

Finally, it's coming back: The DuPage Convention will be taking place on the 11th, 12th, and 13th of March. It's a great opportunity for a strategic board game to be offered, and the Dayton's Firecracker - the only one with weapons will also be in progress. It will be at the College of DuPage May 30-31. Come out and join in the lunacy.

Positions available for "Music Mau"

Positions are available for musical director/conductor, choreographer, vocal director and set designer for the summer production of Meredith Willson's Music Mau to be performed at the Rialto Theatre.

The search for the artistic team was announced by joint producers, Leslie Drumm, Gail, Philip Lynch Theatre of Lewis University and the Rialto Theatre. Production dates are July 31, August 1, 2 and August 4-8. Director for the show, Chet Kondratowicz, of Lewis University requests resumes and other pertinent information be sent to: Music Mau Search Committee, Rialto Theatre, 15 East Van Huren, Joliet, IL 60431. Materials should be received on or before March 20, 1987.

Although auditions for the show will not be held until early June, anyone interested in other areas of the production, such as costumes or set construction may also write to the above address. Final selection of the artistic team is expected to take place before mid-April.

This is the first joint effort of a production by these three organizations. The pro-

duction of the Music Mau will replace the Drama Guild's and Philip Lynch's summer productions.

Frankly Speaking by Ted Frank



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LET LOOSE

By Wayne Ceranek
Features Editor

Here it is, another column. And even though I didn't receive 50 responses I've let myself be talked into writing my column. Now the only question is: What do I write about this time? Does this sound familiar? I really do need ideas so if any of you out there would like to see anything special just write me a letter and let me know. (I'm not saying that I'll use it, just to let me know.)

How about if I tell you people about some of the worst movies I have ever seen? I've seen some pretty bad ones. You see, I'm not only a horror movie fanatic (blatant plug time - read *Fango* if you even slightly like horror), I'm also a fan of very bad movies. I'm talking about the ones that "B" so bad they can't even be considered "B" movies.

Well the first one that I'd like to mention is entitled "Truth or Dare." If any of you have seen this movie you know what I'm talking about. There's this psycho with a copper (or was it bronze?) mask that somehow manages to move in on you when he breathes and the ability to pull weapons out of mid-air. The best part of the movie came when he ran over these old ladies garbage and when she started to yell at him he nonchalantly pulls a medieval battle mace out of the car and wacks her. Bet she didn't think that he was carrying mace, huh? Wouldn't some of you girls like to have that instead of those little spray bottles?

The next one is "Alien Blood Demon from Saturn," it's one of your basic alien meets girl, alien gets girl, alien loses girl, alien eats girl stories.

Then of course there's "The Stuff." This is one of the most underrated bad movies of all time. God, I loved it. There's this weird lifeform that is being pumped out of the ground by a couple of big businessmen, and being sold as ice cream. Neat plot huh? I thought so. Boy, did I have fun terrorizing my mom with the cool whip for weeks after that movie.

Then there was "The Thing with Two Heads." It was about a white guy's head that was medically grafted onto a black guy. Come on I'm sure the movie industry could come up with better plots if they just put their head together. (Get it?)

I remember "Vampire Gophers," and its sequel "Night of the Living Dead Weasels." Boy, talk about scary (and you won't be talking about these movies, maybe if you talked about absurd...).

Well, what else can I talk about? Oh, before I forget I'm compiling a list of definitions (you know, like sleeping bag, a klap sack, etc...) so if anyone out there has anything good send it to me. You can give it to your favorite teacher to send through the campus mail. I'm also accepting puns and jokes.

For Valentine's Day I received a bunch of candy (more than I'll ever be able to eat) so if anybody wants some stop by the

Blazer office (limit one piece per person, while supplies last) and I'll be happy to give you some. Let's see what else could I say? I know I'll tell all of you a little about the people that work on the paper.

First of all there's my partner and co-collaborator in lunacy: Donna. Not only is she my co-editor, but she's also a royal pain in the... Oh, hi Donna. We were just talking about you. Donna's a sophomore here, is 49, and single, her phone number is 555-483, if anybody out there would like to go out I'm sure that she'd be more than happy to go... OUCH! Hey, that hurt. Okay, okay. If you want to go out with Donna you must be at least 5'10", have a lot of money, and look like Bon Jovi (just Jon not the whole band). BRACK!!

Next is Edward Wisniewski (that's pronounced: Wyedred-wishew). What could I possibly tell you about Ed? What could you possibly want to know about Ed? Let's see, Ed is a freshman this year, he's single, but what does that matter - Ed's always single. Really Ed, get a date! But actually Ed's not that bad of a guy once you get to know him, except that he says stuff without knowing what he's talking about. I think that Ed might have taken too many hits in football during high school, except that Ed didn't play football so maybe he just took too many hits during high school.

Third on the list is our resident photographer: Dave Howell. What can I say about Dave that I haven't said in my earlier adventures, except... RARGLE!!!! (A term I use to express total repulsion.) I still haven't completely forgiven him for that time traveling episode, that reminds me he said that he was working on something new... I wonder what it is.

Who's next? Of course, how could I forget... Katie. The life of the office (well of the males in the office anyway.) Pant, Pant, Droid.

Julie McKend. This person is a cute little perky ball of energy (and my better half). Unfortunately, she has a shiny silver

imitation alligator purse, and shiny silver shoes (sort of reminds me of the Wizard of Oz, "There's no place like home").

Barb Vass is next on the list (is this a hit list? Must be because I keep getting hit). Not too much is known about Barb because she's relatively new to the office, but from what I've seen she's going to fit right in with the rest of the hunkie fringe.

Bryan Kasprisin. I can't say anything about Bryan because he's a bartender at the Wild Hammer, and if I say anything nasty I'll wind up getting thrown out next time I go.

Let's see have I covered everybody? Ah, John Buell. John seems like a nice enough guy. A little too quiet, and dresses like a refugee from one of the Hood Warrior movies, but other than that a nice enough guy. (I'm only kidding John, put away the crossbow.)

John McCarlin is the next member of the staff to get roasted over the coals. What's happened to John anyway? I haven't seen him since his Christmas vacation. It's like he disappeared into the twilight zone. I keep expecting Rod Serling to turn up in the office one of these days. Picture if you will... Wayne Ceranek, a normal, everyday student. Until he went to work for a college newspaper. He has since then entered a dimension he has never entered before. It is a dimension of sight, of sound, of mind and body. It lies between the pit of man's fears and the peak of his scientific knowledge. It is the Blazer Zone. De De De De.

The only other person that I can think of is John Wuker. The man that brings you all those lovely photo opinions every issue. Keep up the mediocre work guys.

Well am I missing anyone? If I am I'll just have to tell you about them next issue. Because I just don't feel like writing anymore. So how do you like that?

So until next time remember if you happen to be climbing a tree, and fall out and break both your legs don't come running to me (Huh?)

So you think it's easy being a woman? Sorry Charlie!

By Julie McKend

Alright, all you members of the male persuasion, if you think being a woman is an easy job, guess again. The woman of today has to put up with things like saggy nylons, resembling elephant like features, drooping around the knees, hair that won't curl no matter how much hairspray she puts on, broken nails, wobbly high heels, not to mention that dreaded housework and the bringing of children into this world. It's hard work. If she could trade in her heels and hassles to have the opportunity to come back to earth as a man, would she? Perhaps. Let's say the roles were reversed. If a man could trade in his ties and troubles to come back in a female version, would he? To one particular individual named Charlie, he has no choice.

Charlie is the main character in the upcoming play "Goodbye Charlie" to be

presented March 26, 27, and 28 at 8:00 in the theatre.

Now Charlie wasn't a typical guy who would have buddies to hang around with for an occasional card game or friendly conversation. He led a life of glamour and extreme extravagance. His talents included a wide knowledge about wines and had a backhand that was hard to beat. Charlie's biggest quality was his chauvinistic ways. But that was before his drastic transformation.

Charlie's glamorous life came to an abrupt end when he met his fate by trying to climb through a porthole on a friend's yacht.

This is when all the problems start. As a punishment of his chauvinistic ways, Charlie is sent back to earth to visit his friends one last time, except in a female version. It sounds relatively easy but there

are complications that arise.

Charlie is now faced with probably the biggest challenge of his life. Not only must he adapt to all the personality characteristics that a woman holds but he must also learn to change his many attitudes, gestures, and expressions to ones of a more soft, ladylike fashion.

One particular instance features Charlie as he poses as his own widowing wife who comes back to mourn the memory of Charlie. In this scene he meets some of his former mistresses. His widow, which is inside is the real Charlie, then starts a memorial collection for the deceased Charlie consisting of a hefty 5,000 a piece.

But poor Charlie's problems are far from over. He finds himself tangled up inside a new and very sticky situation with his friend George. The feelings of friendship George once felt for Charlie are like

ing on a new and deeper affection.

Auditions for "Goodbye Charlie" were held in February. The cast includes Wendy Myee from Romeoville as Charlie, Scott Issacson from Lockport as George, Leann Hoffregge of Joliet as Rusty, Dutes Miller of Mokena as Greg, Leann Fabrycky of Shorewood as Franny Salzman, Kevin Walsh of Joliet as Mr. Shriver, and Jules McNabb of Morris as Madeline.

The production is directed by William Fabrycky and presented by the Fine Arts Department Director and producer is Nicki Todorovich with lighting design by David Thomas and Marie Chesarek.

Admission is \$2.00 for adults, \$1.00 for students, and 50¢ for children under 12. Students with a JJC ID will be admitted free.

Charlie teaches us all about life and is certain to have the audience laughing.

Foreign Language International Club thrives at JJC

By Katie Larkin

The Foreign Language International club is successfully moving along during its first year at JJC Junior College.

The club consists of 60 members, both language and nonlanguage students, who aim to bring awareness, enjoyment, and appreciation of different cultures to JJC. Club meetings are held twice a month in G2001 at 11 a.m. Meeting agenda often involves club sponsored activities such as the Spanish restaurant visit and Spanish Folkloric Ballet visit during March.

The club will be sponsoring a karate demonstration at JJC on April 7. It also hopes to organize a European trip for the Spring of 1988.

Club officers include: Luis Bowman-Arnas, president; Debbie Camacho, vice president; Linda Martin, secretary; Jon Winston, treasurer; and Robin Sobovich, Student Government Association representative.

Club sponsor Beta Hevia said she feels confident that the club will continue to be successful. "We'd just like to see other possible members join us for a meeting."

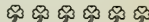
Jerry Uszlack, a 15 year veteran of the Secret Service, the guest speaker for the Criminal Justice Association at a recent meeting.

Uszlack presented a slide show on the

steps taken in the Secret Service, and employment opportunities and requirements to be employed by the Secret Service.

To become a special agent, a Bachelors degree in law enforcement is required. However, a degree is not needed for uniform workers of the Secret Service.

Uszlack said that there is a tremendous amount of traveling involved in the work of a Secret Service Agent. Uszlack has covered United States Presidents including Richard Nixon, Gerald Ford, Jimmy Carter and Ronald Reagan.



It's almost time to break out! But where to go?

By Julie McKeand

The time has come. The moment we all have been waiting for is finally here. Spring is rapidly approaching along with expectations for that much needed ten day break. It's time to pack away the books and dig out the beachies. It's time to trade in those mid-winter blues for that long awaited Spring adventure. So go on, break out!

With the options unlimited, a student may find himself unsure of which interlude to embark on.

For the sun worshippers, there are the beaches of Daytona, Tampa Bay, Orlando, and Fort Lauderdale to bask on. Here then the real beachgoers can be found in finely tanned physiques, spending entire afternoons in the sun. Florida offers many tourists attractions such as the Epcot Center, Walt Disney World, Sea World, Busch Gardens, plenty of fine restaurants and shopping facilities, not to mention numerous other activities that provide non-stop fun.

Another popular vacation spot is Mexico with Cancun, Acapulco, Mexico City and Puerto Vallarta. Participate in Mexican fiestas, waterskiing, shopping,

windsurfing, sailing, and scuba diving. Catch the romantic sunsets with its colorful shades and take a stroll down the sandy beach.

Don't forget the beauty of Hawaii, the tropical tropical paradise or the charm of Jamaica, Bahamas, Aruba, or any of the other get away islands. Do a little hula dancing in a grass skirt wrapped around you at a hula.

For the stargazers there is California with all its sunshine and glamour. See the famous sights it has to offer. Stay in the famous hotels, pampering yourself with the unlimited luxuries. Cruise down the famous boulevards, losing yourself in the wonder of it all.

A cruise provides an excellent opportunity to travel. Take a cruise to the Orient, China, and the South Pacific. Taste the uniqueness of the Orient world and collect pieces of its atmosphere.

For the patriotic souls, a trip to New York will surely bring about American feelings. Visit the Big Apple and experience the sparkle of Broadway. See the newly reconstructed Lady Liberty. Take a drive through the New York countryside and admire the equal beauty.

linis to the Statuary Hall in the United States Capitol.

Tye Leung Schultz (1888-1972), born in San Francisco. She worked to save other Chinese girls and women who had become slaves in this country. While working at the Angel Island Detention Center, she met and married Charles Schultz, an immigration inspector. He was the first American to let her join him. As one of the first Chinese-American women to vote in 1912, she became a local celebrity.

Elisa Riccio de Gaulier (1858 -) was active in women's registration for women when they first got the vote in Puerto Rico. She became aware of the extreme poverty suffered by many of her country men and women. As mayor of San Juan from 1946-66, she did much to improve the living conditions of her fellow Puerto Ricans. Now retired since her 70th birthday, she remains active in political and community affairs.

Ada Deer, (1935 -), a Menominee Indian from Wisconsin, was the first member of her tribe to graduate from the University of Wisconsin and, later, the first American Indian to earn a M.A. in Social Work. She led a fight against the Federal government to save the tribal status and land of her people. After success in 1973, she became the first woman chief of her tribe. Now she is a teacher at the University of Wisconsin and a worker for American Indian nationality.

The poster honoring these women is a part of the LITC exhibit!

paign for Kenyon are expected from in dividends.

He predicts that \$7 million of the anticipated \$35 million will come from the annual giving of parents and alumni. That number amounts to 20% of the total campaign goal. Campaign costs currently total \$495,000, which gives figures to be 2.5% of the money raised. He anticipates the goal to level off at 3-4%, meaning per cent raised, Kenyon will spend 3-4 cents. The national fundraising average is 10-12 cents per dollar.

Among the reasons Givens and Clapham list for the collection of such a large sum of money is the necessity of a cushion for hardships, including a faculty crunch and smaller amounts of college students, both of which are expected in the near future. "The fact of the matter is, that in relation to our competition, Kenyon is enormously underfunded. We're not in a poverty situation, but we need to guarantee the richness of the future," Clapham attests.

Washington, DC, allows one to see all presidential history of past and present. Play the slot machines of Las Vegas or trek across the Grand Canyon in Arizona. For a fast paced vacation, rent some skis and find yourself flying down the white slopes. If you don't know how to ski, what better time is there to learn than now?

For a real change of pace, venture forth to Europe to such places as England, France, Germany, Austria, Italy, Switzerland, Holland, and Belgium. Eat the pasta, delicious and suitably fattening pastries, and drink of fine wine. Go as far as the royalty of Britain, the castles of Germany, the mountains of Switzerland, or the romance of Venice.

However, a spring vacation doesn't always have to be a day away dratina.

Technical Department addresses new technology

In this technological era, man is dependent upon his computers, automobiles and manufacturing equipment. When a machine malfunctions, trained technical "doctors" are sought to cure its ills.

Whether they specialize in automotive services or electrical/electronics automated systems, aspiring technicians can pursue their careers at Joliet Junior College.

"We believe in hands-on training, allowing students to see, hear and feel the equipment that they will be working on," said Jon Rau, chairman of the college's Technical Department.

Such hands-on learning is most valuable when it takes place with machines which are setting the trend in a given industry. Often, private corporations and in divisions add to the college's programs by donating models of such innovative equipment.

For example, the Nissan Motor Corporation recently enhanced JJC's automotive service program by giving the college two late-model automobiles and an automatic transaxle.

The gift of the 280 ZX Turbo and 280 SX automobiles and the Maxima transaxle are an excellent complement to the quality instruction and fine facilities at JJC, Rau said.

"The Nissans are the state-of-the-art, turbo-charged with variation fuel injection," Rau said. "The cars represent the trend of the entire industry."

Nissan officials say JJC received two vehicles - although donations are usually limited to one vehicle - because of the college's "commitment to service within the community" through its accredited, full-time automotive training program.

The donation was made by the parent corporation upon the recommendation of Joliet Nissan Inc., but the interest expressed by the college's instructors was crucial to the donation.

After Rau and instructors Timothy Almy and Louis Niles attended an electronic fuel injection school featuring the Nissans, they queried Nissan officials on the possibility of obtaining a model of the system for students.

Nissan, which has several JJC alumni

tion. Remember the fascination of other states and get cozy with the relaxed life, rid of responsibility for awhile. Now is the time to visit relatives that have been out of contact for awhile.

For a new and different twist, find some crazy adventure that you and some of a more crazier company can get. Some places will offer a setting where people can stay and not get out as if it were real life. These such propositions usually include some mansion that is tangled up in some murder plot. It is different and can prove to be a lot of fun and intrigue.

For others, Spring break is a time to get caught up on activities that somehow along the way were tossed aside and forgotten about.

Wherever one may venture, enjoy! Start packing, spring break is quickly coming closer. After all, you deserve it.

among its employees, donated the two cars in the hope that more students will choose Nissan as their career path and perhaps join the staff of the Joliet dealership.

In the past, individuals and companies have given the Technical Department vehicles, engines and automotive parts, technical equipment, printed material and part-time employment opportunities.

The colleges technical training programs are growing, both in scope and donations like these increase an instructor's ability to address new technologies, and in demand since better-trained technicians are needed to design and repair the new mechanisms.

Self taught repairmen and home mechanics are being replaced by these highly trained technicians. Rau said. Employees are no longer living the norm of the street.

"We don't have a placement problem," he said, "The trouble is finding enough graduates for the jobs available."

The Technical Department also is expanding to other locations. JJC instructors teach classes at companies like The Caterpillar Co. and Dow Chemical where employees need to be brought up-to-date in a specific area or retrained.

"The companies come to us with their needs, and we have people willing to assist them," Rau said.

JJC employs both full- and part-time instructors for the department. This pool of instructors brings students the benefit of years of experience and diverse schooling. The instructors are always keeping up on the latest trends in technology. "Technical teachers are interested in the new and the changing and are anticipating the change," Rau said.

Nursing applications accepted

Nursing applications are still being accepted for Fall 1987. If you meet all the course requirements by the end of the Spring 1987 semester for entry into Nursing, please contact Jo Cirincione, Nursing Admissions - H1019.

Fashion Art Club sponsors luncheon

The Joliet Junior College Fashion Arts Club will hold a fashion show/color analysis luncheon on April 10 at noon at the Renaissance Center.

Tickets are \$15. All donations go to the Fashion Arts Club. For more information call 729-9020, Ext. 278 or 434.

Five year campaign for Kenyon enters the "public phase"

The five-year \$35 million Campaign for Kenyon, two years underway, has entered its "public phase." Phase one of the Campaign (the "private" phase) involved intense preparation, including organization, experimentation and the setting of goals.

Of the \$19 million raised so far, almost half was received from foundations and corporations, while gifts from trustees, alumni, parents, friends and benefactors accounted for the remaining \$9.6 million, according to Douglas L. Givens, Vice-President for Development, and Lynn Clapham, Director of the Campaign, phase two.

One hundred thousand gifts have been made of over \$10.00 totaling 16 of the 19 million dollars, including three gifts of \$1 million and the Olin Foundation's \$3.5 million gift. Givens explains that in fund raising, corporations and foundations are from the first to be solicited, therefore much of the remaining monies in the Cam-

Letter to the Editor Policy

The Blazer will accept letters to the editor signed by the author. A phone number should be included for verification purposes. Names may be withheld upon request. All letters are subject to review by the editor. As many letters as possible will be published in each issue, space permitting.

Dollars For Scholars

The Joliet Junior College Foundation is once again toward the future with "Dollars For Scholars," its first organized effort to generate funds for scholarships.

"One of the main purposes of the Foundation is to raise funds for scholarships," said John Sayre, executive director of development for the college.

"College-sponsored scholarships are funded from private sources, which previously have been from alumni, faculty and staff. Foundation board members, some businesses, and other JJC friends."

"Dollars For Scholars" is the first fund-raising attempt that will include the help of the Foundation board members. Each board member will be contacting several businesses or industries as a follow-up to approximately 400 letters soliciting financial assistance.

The Foundation board members hope the personal appeals will increase scholarship funds thus providing additional scholarships for JJC students.

"Through 'Dollars For Scholars,' the JJC Foundation will continue to attract worthy students to JJC and give financial assistance to students who would not otherwise be able to attend college."

The Foundation Board Members are

Raymond A. Pietak, executive director; John Sayre, executive secretary; Chris Dragatsis, honorary member and JJC alumni association president; Douglas Ziech, president; Louis R. Peyla, past president; Peter Nichols, vice president; and Joseph F. Burla, treasurer.

Other board members include David Beck, Maurice Berlinksky, Richard Brando, Jesse Esue, Lawrence Gray, Daniel Gutierrez, Helen Harshbarger, Daniel Kennedy, Robert Kipp, Arthur Lennon, Ina Lemmon, Barbara McLaughlin, Earl Moisinger, Kenneth Prill, Jewell Ryan-White, George Sangmeister, Calrenee Shnitz, Patricia Schneider, Pearl Singleton, Janet Viane, and Walter Zaida.

For further information regarding the Foundation or to make gifts to JJC, contact Sayre at (815) 729-9020, Ext. 353 or 481.

New officers for SGA

The Joliet Junior College Student Government Association recently elected new officers and senators for the spring semester.

Newly elected officers include Jim Graham, president; Sylvia Sanchez, vice president of education and culture; Wanda Jones, vice president of social and recreational activities; Jerry Dorris, vice president of campus life; Lynn Hinkelowsky, secretary; Daniel Wunderlich, treasurer; Debbie Canacho, parliamentarian; and Wendy Halston, public relations.

The following students were elected to serve as senators for SGA: Elaine Paszyna, Reid Hupach, Chris Ziemia, Pat Nugent, Mark Mason, Ruben Dittmer, Mike Kavanagh, Steve Jameson, Carey Davis, and John Dunham.

Reports condemn schools

Recent reports criticizing the nation's institutions of higher learning unjustly condemn undergraduate and graduate schools, according to President Hannah H. Gray of the University of Chicago. These reports tell more about their authors than the institutions themselves, said Gray.

Speaking on "Educating for the 21st Century," Gray said, "I have a great deal of trepidation of speaking about the future. I am a historian and we are prophets of the past."

One of the challenges of 21st century education is not to create too many myths or Utopian dreams, she said. Instead, there is a clear criteria for constructive impact on traditional education, Gray said. Colleges and universities must be committed to the liberal arts, acknowledging that it is the best preparation for the unknown, she said.

We must be dedicated to teaching as a vocation and we must be sensitive to the concerns of students. They will be the alumni who will provide renewal for their institutions, she continued. Public understanding and support for the values of institutions is crucial even if the public's values conflict with the values of institutions, Gray said.

Institutions of higher education in the Midwest have different traditions than other institutions, she said. "Our traditions and convictions are deeper than those that have been associated with other institutions. There must be a collaboration between private colleges and universities that is important to continue into the 21st century," Gray said.

JJC holds 3rd annual Refunder's Convention

If you are interested in saving money on grocery bills, the Joliet Junior College cafeteria is the place to be on Saturday, March 21, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Whether you're a beginner or an experienced coupon refunder, you can attend the college's third annual Couponing and Refunding Convention. Activities will be led by co-conveners Cheryl Claessens and Bill Metters, members of the Association of Refund Editors and editors of "Refunding SENSE Bulletin."

Coupons worth \$1 or more, refund forms, qualifiers or proofs-of-purchase and any complete or partial deals can be traded at

the convention.

Persons interested in attending can register by asking in UNCL 1002-30. A \$7.60 fee per person is required.

To register for classes, persons may telephone 744-2200 from the Joliet area, 942-4560 from the Morris area, (815) 838-2174 from the Bolingbrook/Lemont area, or dial the operator and ask for Enterprise 9020 from other communities.

Registration forms are also available through the Office of Community Services, located in J Building on the JJC Main Campus, 1216 Huobolt Avenue, Joliet.

JJC offers seminars of new tax reform

seminar is \$6.

Joliet Junior College will hold two investment seminars on March 26 for people who want to know more about the new tax code and related reforms.

Financial consultant Vincent J. Remano will lead the two non-credit seminars, which will be held in Room K-201, Building K, on the Main Campus, 1216 Huobolt Avenue, Joliet.

The first seminar, "Self-Directed IRA's: New Investment Strategies Evolving From The Changing Tax Code," will be held at 6:30-7:30 p.m.

The seminar will analyze the changes occurring in individual retirement accounts and investment strategies that have evolved in response to changes in the economy.

Remano will also discuss the returns and the compounded value of investments currently permitted by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), including certificates of deposit, government bonds, annuities, mutual funds, etc. Information will also be presented concerning tax-free transfers and IRA rollovers.

To register for the seminar, persons should telephone the college using one of its toll-free registration numbers and ask for course UNCL 1007-30. The fee for the

seminar is \$6. The second seminar, "Tax Reform: Financial Planning Implications For Lump Sum Distributions and the Rollover," will be held at 7:45-9:15 p.m. on the same night.

Remano will review the new options available for lump sum distributions under the new tax code, rollovers and five- and ten-year forward averaging.

He will also discuss allowable investments in rollover IRA's, the current returns on various investments, and investments that can minimize the impact of inflation and preserve an investor's buying power and standard of living.

Each person will design an individual financial plan during the seminar. Emphasis will be given to investments that have government guarantees and those that can provide with inflationary hedges. To register, persons should ask for course UNCL 1006-30. The seminar costs \$10.

JJC's toll-free registration numbers are 744-2200 from the Joliet area, 942-4560 from the Morris area, and 815-838-2174 from the Bolingbrook/Lemont area. A person may dial the operator and ask for Enterprise 9020 to register toll free from other communities.

Art students receive Honorable Mention

Eleven art students from Joliet Junior College had their works on display at the Illinois Community College Juried Art Exhibition in Kankakee.

The Exhibition was held Feb. 26 and two of the eleven students received honorable mention. The drawings of Jeffery Jurkiewicz of New Lenox and Betty Burns Davis of Mokena were chosen among 45 paintings, drawings and photographs. Nationally known sculptor Ed McCullough judged the exhibition. Jeffery Jurkiewicz presented pastel drawings, and Ms. Zaeate presented color crayon and marker drawings.

The other participants were Mary Bresnahan of Joliet, Jeane Reyes of Joliet, Kimberly Ruth, also of Joliet, Jennifer Voudre of Joliet, Michelle Swenson of Leland, Mike Coverdill of Lockport, Tereyann Keane of New Lenox and Norma Weaver of Romeoville. Congratulations to everyone.

Plate exhibition gallery

Copper and metal plates, earl rings in gold and silver with semi-precious stones, and wood boxes with etched brass tops will be displayed in the Laura A. Sprague Art Gallery at Joliet Junior College from March 8-20.

"Patterns in Metal," is a one-man exhibition by Lee Peck, metalsmith and professor of art at Northern Illinois University.

Peck's works have been exhibited in over 30 galleries and many distinguished art collectors, including Pope John Paul II and Governor James Thompson, have his work in their private collections.

"My interest has always been in experimentation, combining visual innovation and technical innovation with a love of pattern," Peck said.

Peck will elaborate further on this at a lecture about his work on March 26 at 10 a.m. in the gallery. The public is invited to attend.

The gallery is on the second floor of Spicer-Brown Hall (12-Huobolt) on JJC's Main Campus, 1216 Huobolt Avenue, Joliet.

The gallery is open at 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday. Evening hours are 6-8 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

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The Secret Service Story

Secret Service agent visits JJC

By Donna Larkin

Jerry Ustlak, a 15 year veteran of the Secret Service, was a recent guest speaker for the Criminal Justice Association.

Ustlak presented a slide show on steps taken in the Secret Service and spoke on employment requirements and opportunities.

A Bachelors degree in law enforcement is required to become a special agent. However, a degree is not needed for uniform employees of the Secret Service.

Ustlak said that there is a tremendous amount of traveling involved in working for the Secret Service.

Bradford Stacey, president of the Criminal Justice Association, feels that the Association is one of the most active clubs at JJC. The club has doubled its activities.

"A lot of professionalism, pride, and spirit is in this organization and it shows in the quality of speakers that we have brought in," Stacey said.

On March 23, a representative from the U.S. Marshall's office will speak in room C-2010 at 12:30 p.m.



Jerry Ustlak, a member of the Secret Service, spoke to the Criminal Justice Association recently.

Work/Study abroad opportunity

College students can have their study abroad fees reduced by up to \$1,200 under a new Work/Study program offered by the American Institute For Foreign Study of Greenwich, Connecticut.

Students participating in AIFS college level programs in London, Paris and Salzburg can reduce their fees by working as child care assistants while they attend school. In exchange for living with European families and assisting with the child care for 15-20 hours per week, students receive pocket money, share in foreign friendships, improve their language skills and gain a new cultural understanding on life overseas.

"This new Work/Study opportunity will make a year of study abroad affordable to thousands of students," said Henry C. Kahn, President of the Institute. "It is now less expensive to study in London under this plan than in most private U.S. colleges."

The Institute also offers full time child care positions without college study in Britain and Germany.

The American Institute For Foreign Study has provided overseas education programs for over 300,000 participants since it was founded in 1964. The Institute is a subsidiary of AIFS, Inc., a publicly owned company.

For further information and a brochure detailing Work/Study abroad programs, contact your study abroad advisor or write, American Institute For Foreign Study, Dept. P-10, 102 Greenwich, Connecticut 06830 or call (203) 669-9090.

Coors offers scholarships for children of veterans

Adolph Coors Company announced that applications are now available for the 1987 Coors Veterans' Memorial Scholarship Fund which provides more than \$500,000 to the sons and daughters of American veterans.

For the third consecutive year, Coors and its distributors will award a minimum of 100 scholarships, with a maximum value of \$5,000 each, to eligible students who successfully have completed their freshman year of college. The scholarships will assist students in completing the final years of their undergraduate studies.

Since the scholarship program began in 1985, Coors has contributed a total of \$1,097,000 to 238 scholarship recipients from all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and Taiwan. Coors distributors also raised more than \$784,000 to award scholarships in their local communities. Another 15 scholarships were funded through proceeds totaling \$37,000 raised from the 1986 "Coors Presents Lee Greenwood" concert tour where a percentage of each ticket sold was donated to the scholarship fund.

Thanks to the efforts of our distributors, a talented performer like Lee Greenwood and our customers, the Coors Veterans' Memorial Scholarship Fund continues to honor those American veterans who have served our country so courageously," said Peter Coors, Brewing Division president.

To be eligible for consideration, applicants must:

- Be 22 years old or younger as of the July 1, 1987, application deadline date.
- Have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or better on a 4.0 scale.
- Have completed a minimum full freshman year program of credit hours, but not yet acquired senior credit hours.
- Be enrolled full time in a four-year institution of higher education in the United States or an accredited two-year program leading to a four-year undergraduate degree.
- Fall into one of the following categories: dependent of Honorably Discharged American service personnel, dependent of Active Duty, Guard or Reserve military personnel (minimum

two years), dependent of American service personnel killed in Action, Missing in Action, or who have Died in the Line of Duty. Applications can be obtained from local Coors distributors or participating Veterans organizations, by writing Coors Veterans' Memorial Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 311, Northbrook, IL 60062, or by calling toll-free 1 (800) 46-COORS. Completed applications and materials must be postmarked on or before July 1, 1987.

Coors, the nation's fifth largest brewer, has a long history of commitment to America's military veterans and their families. Veterans comprise approximately one-third of Coors' 9,500 employee work force. The company was named the 1985 Employer of the Year by the Veterans at Foreign Wars, Colorado Chapter of the Year by the American Legion Unit through 1985, and the 1983 National Large Employer of the Year by the Disabled American Veterans. Coors also received an award for recognition from the Veterans of Foreign Wars in 1985 for the Coors Veterans' Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Landscaping scholarships awarded

The current and one former JJC Junior College student received scholarships from the Illinois Landscaping Contractors Association earlier this year.

Kevin Vancina, of New Lenox, received the John Schwarz Memorial Scholarship for Fine Vaseums produced from JJC and is studying plant and soil science at Southern Illinois University.

John B. Mikel, of Elie Island, was awarded \$750 to study landscaping at JJC. Upon graduation in May, Mikel will be working at the Chicago Botanical Garden.

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Class of '87 starts fundraising for gift

By Ed Wisniewski

The class of 1987 is already starting a fundraising for the class gift to Joliet Junior College.

According to John Sayre the leadership committee is already in the process of choosing a class gift. "What we get depends a great deal on how much money we can raise."

The leadership committee is responsible for representing the graduating class of 1987 along with providing a class gift.

In the past the leadership committee with the support of the graduating classes have provided some interesting and rather useful gifts to their school.

The school directories and maps were provided by the class of '84 and started the tradition of giving class gifts by graduating students. The gift in 1985 gave JJC the letters that identify the different

parts of the building. The class of '86 gave JJC the college entrance signs that provide the directions to the various parking lots.

Along with providing JJC with class gifts the leadership committee must also establish a feeling of unity and pride in graduates as they leave JJC. The leadership committee are in effect class officers that work with student government to provide fun and entertainment over the year.

The leadership committee sent flyers to 1987 graduates which asked them to nominate ideas for a class gift and suggest a class logo. Fund raising drives for the class gift will begin later this month.

Members of the leadership committee are: Bobbie Burglein, Randy Titus, Diania E. Inman, Marianne Richards, Deborah Sarkine, Sally Valke, Mary Weller, and Alexis Wise.

Culinary Arts sponsors candlelight dinners

Diners looking for fine food and romantic atmosphere will find them both at the "Candlelight Dinners" served each Thursday, Friday and Saturday evening at the Louis Joliet Renaissance Center.

The gourmet Candlelight Dinners are prepared and served by Joliet Junior College students and chefs beginning at 6 p.m. in the darkened LaParisiene Dining Room of the Renaissance Center, 214 N. Ottawa Street, Joliet.

Students in JJC's Culinary Arts and Hotel Restaurant Management programs host the dinners under the guidance of European-trained chef instructors.

Dinner prices begin at \$12.75. Reservations are suggested and may be made by calling the Renaissance Center at (815) 727-6544.

Throughout the month of February, JJC alumni can obtain a 10 percent discount on the price of their dinners excluding alcohol by presenting their alumni card. The offer is extended in honor of February being designated as Illinois Community College Month and as "I Love You JJC Alumni" month.

Alumni cards are obtained by participating in the College Giving Program.

Area youths to receive centennial scholarships

Joliet Junior College has given 25 youngsters an unprecedented opportunity for achievement through the 2001 Centennial Awards which were presented recently.

The children will receive up to \$1,800 in tuition to JJC beginning in the year 2001, JJC's 100th anniversary.

The Centennial Scholars, or "pre-collegians," were selected from among the nominations of more than 60 children who were three years old in 1986. Nominations were made by district residents and college alumni after the awards were announced at the college's 156th Anniversary celebration in February 1986.

The awards were presented by Patricia A. Schneider, Chairman of the JJC Board of Trustees; Dr. James D. Lepanto, Vice President for Academic Affairs, and Grant H. Brown Jr., grandson of college co-founder J. Stanley Brown, during a February 1 ceremony in the Fine Arts Theatre on the JJC Campus.

Each pre-collegian was escorted by a current Joliet Junior College student. The day was JJC's first activity in honor of National Community College Month (February) and Illinois Community College Week (February 17, 1986).

JJC Centennial Scholars

Bolingbrook - Michael Robert Roszyk (Joliet) & Patricia M. Roszyk; Braintree - Tara Marie Walden (Richard and Sharon Walden); Coal City - Sarah Elizabeth Wisman (Mark A. and Becky M. Wisman);

New Health Supervisor arrives at JJC

Joliet Junior College was without a Health Services Supervisor for a few weeks as Rosella Petrich retired on January 9, 1987. On February 2, Jean Dale arrived to assume the duties of Supervisor of Health Services.

Mrs. Dale spent 17 years at George Williams College in Downers Grove until its closing last year. She is about to complete her Master's Degree in Public Health with a major in Health Education. While supervising health services here and completing her degree, she also enjoys her 11 grandchildren. She has spent a great deal of her career working with college students. "I enjoy working with college age people; it's challenging and there's always something new happening."

"Students should watch for programs coming from Health Services in the near future. These will include sessions on weight reduction and contraceptives, among other topics."

Newspaper employees volunteer in battle against illiteracy

Employees of a Joliet newspaper are joining in the battle for literacy by learning to teach others how to read.

Twelve employees of the Herald News newspapers are attending two literacy training workshops offered by Joliet Junior College this month. The workshops stress tutoring which makes use of the newspaper.

The 12 Herald-News department heads and staff will then provide eight weeks of free public tutoring sessions in the conference room of the newspaper office at 300 Caterpillar Drive, Joliet.

The two training workshops are being sponsored by the Cooperative Literacy

Joliet - David Adam Ashby (Wayne and Theresa Ashby), Olivia Maria Cabrera (Robert and Irene Cabrera), Jessica Elaine Hill (Elyanne and Daniel Hill),

Matthew Koskosky (Lorraine and Robert L. Koskosky, Jr.), Roger William Powell Jr. (Roger William Sr. and Cheryl D. Powell), Regina Frances Provenzale (Linda G. Provenzale), Stetson Devon Saunders (Steve and Cynthia Saunders), Calvin Julius Thompson Jr. (LaFronda D. Atkins and Calvin Julius Thompson), Rebecca Joann Tomala (Joseph and Ruth Tomala), Stephanie Ann Yates (Steven and Jean Yates);

Lockport - Clifton Richard Ekkerl (Clifford and Sandra Gail Ekkerl); Manhattan - Matthew Philip Boscoe (Thomas F. and Vicki L. Boscoe); Mokena - Katie Ann Olson (Robert and Shirley Olson); Mokena - Jessica Lynn Berkey (Alan Lee and Kathleen M. Berkey); Morris - Nicole Sue Henke (Jim and Sandy Henke); Normal - Leah Shirley Collette (Jim and Roni Collette); Plainfield - William Robert Sils (Michael and Tina Sils); Peotone - David William Youker (Gene and Christine Youker);

Romeoville - Justin Lee Stec (Thomas John and Judith Marie Stec); Shorewood - Danielle Marie DeVicchio (John P. and Andrea Fazio DeVicchio); Kyle John Toth (John A. and Janet R. Toth); Wilmington - Jillian Jean Macholzi (Stephen E. and Claudia J. Macholzi); Truth or Consequences, New Mexico - Joshua Randall Ashbaugh (Diana and Randall K. Ashbaugh).

Due to a recent incident, the Health Services Department would like to take this opportunity to remind students with children of the steps to take before leaving their children with the sitter for the day.

Information to Leave With The Sitter

1. Telephone number of the college (727-9020).
2. Extension of Campus Police (x234 or x301).
3. Copy of class schedule.
4. Where you may be found when not in class.
5. Written permission for the sitter to utilize emergency care for your child (children) in life threatening situations. This document should be notarized if possible.

The College will make every attempt to find you as quickly as possible, but the above information could make the difference when time is the important factor.

Service award nominations being accepted

Joliet Junior College is accepting nominations for recipients of the Distinguished Service Award, the college's highest award.

The Distinguished Service Award is presented by the Joliet Junior College Board of Trustees annually to persons who have made a major contribution for the benefit of the residents of Illinois Community College District 52, which includes all or parts of Will, Grundy, Kendall, LaSalle, Kankakee, Livingston and Cook counties.

Nominees must be a resident or former resident of Illinois Community College District 52. A nominee must also be personally responsible for effecting or substantially contributing to a major accomplishment for the benefit of the community at the time of his or her residency in the district.

A major accomplishment is defined as, and may take the form of, humanitarian service, distinguished public service, creative attainment, or scholarly work.

Anyone making a nomination is limited to one nominee in any one year.

Nominations can be made by either submitting a completed nomination form or a comprehensive written statement.

Nomination form and guidelines for the Distinguished Service Award may be obtained by contacting the JJC Community Relations Office, at (815) 729-0200, Ext. 352.

The nominations can be based on any of the areas listed in the guidelines, but should be as complete and detailed as possible. In the event the nominee is noted to be a member of a specific organization, nominators are asked to please elaborate on the scope of service and any offices held, including dates.

All nominations should be sent to the President's Office, Joliet Junior College, 1216 Hazelballe Avenue, Joliet, IL 60438, and received by 5 p.m. on Monday, March 16.

A screening committee composed of members of various college groups will review all nominations and make recommendations to the JJC Board of Trustees. The final selection of Distinguished Service Award recipients will be made by the Board.

Each recipient of the award will receive an honorary degree in distinguished community service and an engraved plaque.

Awards will be presented at the JJC annual commencement ceremony on May 15.

For further information on the Distinguished Service Award, call the JJC Community Relations Office.

Nursing grads await results

Thirty-one nursing students from Joliet Junior College are awaiting results from their February Boards.

The 31 registered nurse candidates are December graduates of the JJC Nursing Education Department. They include: Barbara Carroll, Joanne DeHerrera, Rosemary Herlihy, Joanna Kokenes, Nancy Thayer, Cheryl Smith, Joy Wyrten, Helen Lynda Haman, Kathleen Crum, Becky Vaughn, Dawn Cain, Brenda Hutson, Marion McLaughlin, Nancy Radakovich, Annette Shawmeyer, Kristine Yandura, Lavonell Dawson, Celia Solis, Carol Swanson, Patty Tuttle, Kimberly Hunt, Catherine Offerman, Sharon Murray, Connie Wilfong, Debra Koonin, Helen Roesch, Karyn Conner, Mary Ann Vellenga, Sherri Welsh and Susan Spontello.

Women win N4C basketball crown

By Bryan Kasprisin

The JJC Lady Wolves basketball team surprised everyone in the N4C by disposing of the College of Dupage 56-46 and winning the conference championship, this past Saturday.

Sophomore forward Kathy Sukley paced the women with 25 points. She also contributed a game high 39 points in the ladies 63-59 opening round victory over Wauaubie College.

Coach Jay Tapella said, "We did our thing. We closed up the middle, against a much larger team, and made them force outside shots. That's when we were able to capitalize on our quickness and force mistakes."

"These girls are just coming into their

own. They have played with a lot of heart, when most teams would have given up, and now they are seeing the results of their efforts. They just refuse to say die."

The JJC women have indeed played with a lot of heart and have had their share of bad luck also. Four times they have finished games with four girls on the floor. They also have busy working schedules so it is hard to get a full team to practice with every day.

"Too many people just wrote us off for this year and didn't take us seriously. We did everything we needed to do to win and we did," said Tapella.

The Lady Wolves shot 42% during the N4C tournament and amazingly out-rebounded two larger opponents. "When you

play like that it is very hard to get beaten," remarked Coach Tapella.

With these two victories the Lady Wolves qualified for the state tournament at Highland College March 6-8.

Tapella feels very confident about his team downstate. He says, "As long as we stay together and play our game we will hold our own. We are hot right now and almost everything we shoot is going in. I'd like to win the first game because these girls will fight their way into the finals."

Even though the Lady Wolves finished with a 4-1 record everyone is 0-0 come tournament time. The Ladies from JJC have a lot to be proud of and I am banking on them to receive a national berth.

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JJC Welcomes JAMSCEP

By Barb Vase

On Feb. 7, Juliet Junior College held its Industry in Partners Open House for JAMSCEP (Juliet Area Math, Science, and Computer Educational Richness Program).

JAMSCEP is a program for the educationally disadvantaged. Their job is to help grade school and high school students strengthen and monitor communication, academic skills, career goals and personal involvement. The program itself is currently consisting of 60 students from four teen different Jr. High and High Schools in the surrounding area. Its location is primarily at College of St. Francis, but it rotates between Jucio and Lewis University.

The program works with tutors (college level) and counselors who have special interest in the work. Evidently, this program is working. Mulika Phang, an eighth grade student at Dirksen Jr. High, comments that since she had been in five months, her grades have been rising to A's and B's.

For more details about the admission requirements for the program call (815) 729-9020 ext 385/333.

Students invited to conferences

Students from the Juliet Junior College Culinary Arts Department are participating in several prestigious dinners and conferences in Chicago in the next month.

The events allow JJC students to work with chefs from different hotels and to be involved in cake-decorating, food preparation and serving.

On February 22, JJC students will participate in the Executive Dinner at the Sheraton Plaza Hotel.

On March 7, the college will have representatives of the American Culinary Federation National Conference at the Offshore Hilton.

On March 27, students will participate in the Sixth Annual Illinois Restaurant Association STEEP (Success Through Education and Participation) Dinner at the Drake Hotel.

In the "Winterfest" ice carving competition held in St. Paul, Minnesota in late January, two JJC sophomores Jared well Jeff Stahl, of Goodfield, was awarded first place and a \$600 scholarship. Rich Henry, of Hazel Crest, received second place and a \$400 scholarship.

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Sports News

By Elaine Pasyra

I would like to thank school officials for reinstating tennis next fall, but most of all, the credit goes to those who fought to bring tennis back. Without their efforts and support the tennis program may never have been reinstated.

Not only did the efforts of the students and players help bring tennis back, but also the efforts of some adults. When the sport was cut, the former tennis coach offered to coach free. The parents' support also had a great impact. This shows that the adults like to see the needs (not wants) of the students are met. I just have one question: How come it took so long?

Now that we have the sports what are the rest of us going to do? The sports we have here are great, but the coaches and players need to know we are supporting them all the way. We have fought hard to get the sports we want, now it's time to show how glad we are to have them.

I'm not saying that fan support is the number one factor that contributes to a team's success, but just knowing that

there are more than just a handful of fans may give the teams the extra oomph that they may need to win.

A suggestion that was entered into the Student Government Suggestion Box wanted the college to provide discounts to students to attend a better crowd. But as Dr. Ainley, vice president of student affairs pointed out, all it takes is a student ID.

I, myself, believe that both the men's and women's basketball teams could have used a better showing crowd than what they had this season.

One solution to this problem could be to let the area high school seniors aware of what sports are available, times, places, etc. so they could have a chance to come out and therefore they would be better informed when they enter JUCO their first year. This would then hopefully increase attendance.

We needed the sports.

Now we have them.

Now, they need us!



The last few years, it seems, the power has been swinging from conference to conference. Back and forth like kids in a schoolyard.

In 1985, the Big East ended up holding a block party at Lexington and last year, the ACC dominated the AP-UP! top 10, even though Duke finally fell short in the finals to the Cardinals of Louisville in Dallas.

This year, it's the Big Ten by six lengths over the rest of the field - with Commissioner Wayne Duke smugly resting his whip as he looks back over his shoulder.

Personally, I think the Big Ten will maintain that distance through next year - the 1987-88 season - and who knows how far beyond?

Talk about a solid lineup. Even the Rockettes have got to be envious.

First, there's Purdue and my prediction is that the Boilermakers will be the odds-on favorite to win the Big Ten next year, and to continue right through to the Final Four, when it's convened in Kansas City. The Troy Lewis and Todd Mitchell show is an automatic renewal, like Cosby and with them back again, Coach Gene Keady finds himself at eye level in the state of Indiana with Digger and Bobby.

Then there's Michigan, which has a J. R. Reid-class player in 69 Terry Mills, who's now down under Proposition 48, as is another outstanding player in 6-2 Rumeal Robinson. And don't forget the Buckeyes of Ohio State, who are adjusting to Gary Williams' intense coaching style, as a new era gets underway along the Oldenry River.

Illinois has two Proposition 48 kids too - 6-5 Nick Anderson and 6-6 Ervin Small, but the true All-American should be transfer, Kenny Battle, a 6-6 gold mine who transferred from Northern Illinois. Add to that, Marcus Liberty, the high school player of the year and the Fighting Illini should be an even better club next year.

Iowa loses very little and Dr. Tom Davis will have gotten through his baptismal year in Hawkeyeland. What is it they say?

The best goes on. And what can you say about Indiana? Except to know that year-in and year-out, with Coach Bob at the helm, that they're on the money.

Perennial orphans Northwestern and Wisconsin will have to find some new big chases, because there's very little chance they're going to get out of the sub-basement, but Minnesota has a proven warrior in Clem Haskins, who previously did such a great job of rebuilding Western Kentucky from the ashes. The Gophers might need another year to return to respectability but look for them to bounce back.

And last, but not least, there's Michigan State. Things are kind of on cruise control right now in East Lansing.

Tennis to return

By John Bartel

Tennis is coming back to JUCO when the women's team takes to the court this fall, and then the men's team in the spring.

The school has reinstated tennis back to a "quality level." Tennis was taken away from JUCO, as were track and wrestling last year so the school could concentrate more of the funds on baseball, football and basketball. Now that there are enough

but the Spartans are always testy and a killer at home.

Overall, then, the Big Ten is the conference of the immediate future, and I think could possibly make it awkward for the rest of the country this coming late March in the Crescent City.

There are a number of reasons I believe the Big Ten will repeat next season.

One, they have a TV package now during the week, which keeps the recruiting door about the size of the Holland Tunnel - and they get more than their fair share of national hookups from the Big Three networks on the weekends.

Two, because Chicago has become the crown jewel, when it comes to producing Blue Chip high school players, passing up the New York-Washington, DC and the LA-San Francisco areas as proving grounds or factories. And Chicago is being pushed by Detroit. Then, too, most of the schools in the Big Ten are TIEE schools in the state, so they pretty much get first pick of the litter, when it comes to home-grown players who develop in their areas.

Finally, I believe the Big Ten will do well at tourney-time, will be more ready for tournament play, because they don't have a post-season conference tournament. They play a solid round-robin, with each home and home game being a firecracker, and they play a reasonably tough out-of-conference schedule. And, they are - without a doubt - the most physical conference in the country, where it seems that the refs have consistently slow whistles, which allows both the coaches and players to realize that basketball is a contact sport.

One other thing: Look for the style of play in the Big Ten to change a little in the near future - from Bobby Knight's motion offense and kamikaze defense to Dr. Tom Davis' coast-to-coast defense, multiple substitutions, and a wearing down of the opponent with movement rather than physicalness.

This trend, I feel, should take about three weeks to work into place - a lot quicker than when Bobby Knight's style changed the Big Ten from a run-and-gun conference to one of deliberate, half-court offense and strong, man-to-man, box out defense.

Now it's going to be changing again, because of Tom Davis and Coach Williams at Ohio State - who was Davis' assistant at Boston College. What you're going to see, in the Big Ten, is coast-to-coast defense, long benches, massive substitutions, all of which are ways of extending the intensity of the game by playing the whole court.

What you're also going to see is a conference so talent-laden, so solid, that it's going to take the rest of the country at least another season or two to catch up.

Player Spotlight



By Bryan Kasprison

Ladies and gentlemen, entering the arena at a combined height of 26 feet, six inches, the JUC Lady Wolves basketball team.

Yes, unbelievable as it may sound if you stood these girls foot to head they would stand about 26' 6" and would only be five girls high.

There isn't much height on this team. There is no depth.

There is more than enough quickness, a lot of heart and desire and the women's NAC trophy.

The Lady Wolves, made up of freshmen Sue DeCrane, Chris Trauma and Ann Barikand, sophomores Judy Heavens and Kathy Sukley, have had their share of bad luck this year. Four times they have finished a game with only four girls on the floor. Sue DeCrane and Kathy Sukley have played every minute of every game which has taken its toll on them. This is also a team that has received very limited school support.

They have fought off all of this to qualify for the state championship and win the regional championship.

Guard Judy Heavens credits the team's recent success to "staying together and not getting down on ourselves. We are all good shooters and handle the ball very well. It was just a matter of time before things turned our way." She also added that they needed to prove to the students they could play and making State did that.

The Lady Wolves have played many

great games only to come up short because of their lack of depth. There are only five girls on this team so there are a tired bunch at the end of a game.

One game particularly stood out in the minds of the girls. It was the game against Lincoln College. DeCrane commented that, "Lincoln is an all scholarship school. They entertain their fans and themselves, but most of all they have fun playing, no matter what."

These girls have a lot of talent. They are all playing positions that are new to them. They were all essentially guards during high school.

These girls are intelligent. Four of them made academic all conference team.

These girls are hot. They have been shooting at a scorching 45% as a team during their regional games. Kathy Sukley also averaged 27 points during that tournament.

Even though this is a hot team they are not letting it get to their heads. Chris Trauma said, "We're taking it one game at a time and trying to stay to our game plan."

The students of Joliet Junior College have a lot to be proud of in their women's basketball team. This team typifies everything a college team is about. They are graceful in victory and defeat, they play hard every minute of every game, they entertain their fans and themselves, but most of all they have fun playing, no matter what.

Camer and Tom Egly are being sidelined for arm injuries, the coach still hopes to accomplish aggressive base running, solid defense, and to reach 500.

Pat Sexton, a pitcher and designated hitter for the team said, "The team is better than most people think. We've grown together and we know each others capabilities."

Coach King said that if the team could lose five or six of its first ten games it would be a big morale boost for the players. "It would let us into the rest of the season."

The Wolves' first game is March 23, a doubleheader, at home against Truman College at 1:30 p.m.

Baseball team "better than people think"

By Elaine Pasyra

Next week, the men's baseball team will be playing their first game of the season.

Although it is so soon to tell who will be the starting players for the first game, Coach Wayne King feels the season looks promising and that the team is moving up the ladder. Practices have been going well and the team has been coming together as a unit.

Each King pointed out, "We are not a power hitting team and we don't know who could fill the role of long relief pitching and if they are capable." The strong points in the defense, decent team speed, and strong pitching.

Despite the fact that pitchers Brian

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Slinkard named to fill trustee vacancy

D. R. "Russ" Slinkard of Joliet is the newest trustee on the Joliet Junior College Board of Trustees. Slinkard was appointed and sworn in at a special board meeting on March 16. Slinkard, community relations manager for Illinois Bell Telephone Company's Joliet region, says he sought appointment to the JJC board because of his concern for education.

"Education is very important to me," Slinkard said. "I knew that at some point in my career I would like to serve on a college board. Even though I'm very involved in community activities, I didn't think I could pass this up. Living in a community, you have an obligation to give what you can of yourself."

The board appointed Slinkard to fill the vacancy created by resignation of trustee Perry Rudman, who said he needed to devote more time to his legal career. College district residents will determine who will serve the remaining two years of Rudman's term during an election in November.

Slinkard's community involvement and comprehensive business background were cited by board members as the reason for their unanimous selection of Slinkard from among the 25 candidates for the position.

"I felt, too, that I could combine my business experience with what others on the board had to offer," Slinkard said. "I saw that I could do that now without being involved in a long-term commitment; it just seemed natural."

Slinkard has been with Bell since 1969, when he joined the company as a commercial assistant. He has served Bell as an assistant commercial manager, marketing manager and residence service manager. Slinkard also was an account

representative for the S. P. Wright & Company advertising firm and was a minister for the United Methodist Church for five years. He earned a bachelor of arts degree at MacMurray College in 1960 and received a master's degree in theology from Garrett Theological Seminary 1963.

Slinkard's community activities include involvement with organizations in Will, Grundy, Kankakee, and LaSalle counties. He is president of United Way of Will County, vice president of the Joliet/Will County Center for Economic Development, and is a past vice president of the Joliet Region Chamber of Commerce & Industry. He is on the board of directors of the Joliet YMCA, Northern Illinois Industrial Development Association (LaSalle County), the Kankakee Industrial Development Association, and the Joliet Area Hospice Advisory Board.



SLINKARD

Employees recognized for outstanding service

By Katie Larkin

Joliet Junior College recognized five outstanding staff members at the 1987 Employee Recognition Awards Dinner and Ceremony.

The awards which are sponsored by the JJC Foundation in conjunction with the JJC Alumni Association are made based on nominations by JJC students, staff, faculty and administrators.

The ceremony was held at the Louis Joliet Renaissance Center Foundation Hall on March 19, with family, friends and students in attendance.

Winning outstanding teaching awards are Dr. Thomas Switzer and Dr. William Zales.

Switzer is an instructor in the Public Service Department and teaches classes in general, child and abnormal psychology. He received his masters degree from Southern State University.

Switzer feels that learning is an active process. Both students and teachers have responsibilities for its success.

"Teaching is an essential contribution for a productive and continuing society and involves creating a positive learning environment, one that is accepting of students and treats each one in a fair and positive manner," Switzer said.

"I truly consider this award an honor. I very much appreciate and am grateful to

be honored for my work by my students," Switzer said.

Zales teaches botany and biology in the college's Biological Sciences/Physical Education Department. Students in Zales' classes receive unique hands-on experience through field trips to New York, Tennessee and Wyoming.

Zales received his doctorate from the University of British Columbia.

"It is exciting for students to experience biological phenomena in the places where they occur. I find that students are motivated by a biology teacher who is a dedicated practicing biologist."

Andy Mihelich, Executive Director of the Institute of Economic Technology, is the winner of the Outstanding Professional Service Award.

Mihelich is responsible for the design, development and administration of JJC's overall economic development program. He feels there is a unique dedication involved in his job to do what is necessary to service students or clients.

Gertrude Shroba, senior administrative assistant for the support staff, and Marie Speck, secretary for the college's Evening Program, received the Outstanding Support Services Award.

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Camacho wins; referendum fails

By John Buell

Despite the low turnout, confusion and all the other who-ha's, the Joliet Junior College student body did elect a student trustee. Pre-Meat Freshman Debbie Camacho, of Palos Hills, came up the victor in the election that took place March 25. The student body also voted down the referendum which would allow a committee to select the student next year, 246 to 110.

Camacho wasn't too surprised about winning. "I was the only candidate that stayed past the regular school hours so that I could get some of the night students' votes. A lot of the night students didn't know who was running for trustee, so by staying until the election was over, I knew I could get a few more votes," Camacho said.

When asked why she was running for student trustee Camacho said, "I thought that I owed something to the school."

Camacho is currently working part time for the Minority Affairs Office and Bresler's Ice Cream Parlor in Palos Hills. The other candidates running in the election were Reid Hupach of Joliet, a voca-



CAMACHO

tional skills major, Nicole D'Ottavio of Joliet, a biology major, and Sean Heisford of Bolingbrook, a pre-physical therapy major.

The totals of the election are as follows: Camacho, 146; D'Ottavio, 96; Heisford, 55; Hupach, 41.

Livestock team competes in two contests; places high

The Joliet Junior College Livestock Judging Team recently competed at the North Central Meats Evaluation Clinic at the University of Wisconsin in Madison, WI. Eleven teams from four states competed at this Midwest Contest. Each team consisted of ten team members. A total of eleven team members competed from Joliet Junior College. Our team included Rob Fanning, Mark Johnson, Jim Graham, Ruben Dittmer, Mark Mason, Carl Zimmerman, Sean Jordan, Mike Kavanaugh, Marc Dannenburg, Mark Austin, and Pat Nugent.

The contest was set up as a triathlon with teams competing in three different areas: Live Animal Evaluation, Market Animal Evaluation, and Carcass Evaluation. Our judging team finished first in the Live Animal division, second in the Marketing Division, second in the Meat

Division, and second place overall. In individual award winners included sophomore Rob Fanning who was first in the Live Animal Division, seventh in the Market Animal Division, and fourth place overall. Also, sophomore Mark Johnson was second in the Meat Evaluation Division, ninth in the Live Animal Division, tenth in the Market Animal Division, and seventh place overall. Another sophomore award winner was Mark Mason who finished fifth in the Meat Evaluation Division. Freshman award winners included Carl Zimmerman who was seventh in the Meat Animal Division and Mike Kavanaugh who finished ninth in the Market Animal Division.

The JJC Livestock Judging Team also competed at the Western Illinois University Livestock Judging Contest at Macomb, Illinois. Joliet Junior College finished third overall in a very competitive race. Joliet students competing at this contest included Roben Johnston, Ruben Dittmer, Jim Graham, Rob Fanning, Mark Mason, Carl Zimmerman, Steve Jameson, Mark Austin, Mark Dannenburg, and Mike Kavanaugh. Individual award winners included Roben Johnston who was fifth overall in the sheep division, Jim Graham who was fifth overall in the swine division, and Carl Zimmerman who was sixth overall in the cattle division.

Spring Break

The campuses of Joliet Junior College will be closed from April 16-26 for spring break.

Classes at the Main Campus in Joliet, the North Campus in Bolingbrook and Romeoville, the Louis Joliet Renaissance Center in downtown Joliet and at all satellite centers will close at 5 p.m. Thursday, April 16.

All campus activities will resume according to their normal schedule on Monday, April 27.



Larkin Laments

By Donna Larkin, Editor

It took me all semester to learn how to judge the clocks on this campus; the clock in G building was always 5 minutes slower than the clocks in J building. When I finally started to make it to most of my classes on time, someone went and changed all the clocks again!

Is the school trying to keep all us students who have enough trouble getting to class on time when we know the time, on our toes or is it some kind of game they are playing with us?

The problem with the clocks is not new; students have been complaining about it since before I started JJC two and one-half years ago.

At 9 a.m. on April 7, in Mr. Manthei's computer science class, the minute hand on the clock followed the second hand completely around the face of the clock, and stopped at exactly 10 a.m.

When the school workers changed the clocks two weeks ago, I thought they were just confused about the time change, and

forgot that the time change wasn't until 2 a.m. on Sunday. But when I looked at the clock in front of the Blazer office, I realized that the clock wasn't set an hour ahead, it was set so where near the actual time.

Upon further investigation of school clocks I found only one clock that was set close to the correct time; this was the one on the bridge above the Freedom Shrine. The rest of the clocks were all set on different times, and none were close to the right time.

As a student, I find it very annoying to try to get to class on time with all the clocks set differently. Classrooms have different times too, so classes start and end a few minutes off schedule.

The school probably has some explanation for this, but I can't think of a logical one. Unless someone just likes to watch me run down the hall trying to get to class before it starts, but never really knowing what time it is.

Big Brothers/Sisters needs volunteers

Jason's need can be met. He needs an adult for a role-model, a friend, a buddy. Kim's needs can also be satisfied. She needs a friend to go roller-skating, bowling, or play volleyball.

These are just two examples of the "good kids" we have on our Big Brothers/Big Sisters waiting list. They aren't in trouble with the law or school. They're just kids who come from single-parent homes.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters is currently in search of 172 volunteers to fill the void in these children's lives.

Volunteers are asked to spend about four hours a week with their Little Brother or Sister. Volunteers are matched to the children by common interests and locale.

Prospective volunteers attend a one-hour orientation session where questions can be answered and an application can be completed.

April Orientation Dates are as follows: Monday, April 13 at 7 p.m.; and Saturday, April 25 at 10 a.m.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters is at 2317 W. Jefferson St., Room 130, Joliet.

Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor:

I would like to bring to your attention to the lack of parking areas for your Senior Citizen students.

I feel special areas close to the buildings would be a much appreciated convenience to our Golden Aged Students.

Please give this matter your immediate attention.

Why not be kind to them?

Sincerely yours,

Willie L. Lewis

Dear Editor,

I would like to know why "Licensed to Ill" by the Beastie Boys made Bryan Kasprisin ill.

Is it because he doesn't think the album is worth its weight in vinyl or is it "Rap Music" that makes Bryan ill?

I thought albums were reviewed on the basis of their vocal/music performance, recording technique and content, not on one's prejudice of a particular music genre. If this is the case I wish Bryan would have said so. As his top ten list indicates, music is a matter of one's taste.

Oscar Eppm,

Business Major

Letter to the Editor Policy

The Blazer will accept letters to the editor signed by the author. A phone number should be included for verification purposes. Names may be withheld upon request. All letters are subject to review by the editor. As many letters as possible will be published in each issue, space permitting.

Commentary

Apathy is too common at JJC

If there is one thing that I can't stand it is apathy. Joliet Junior College is overflowing with apathy and it seems like the students aren't trying to change.

Each day I see students more concerned about what card to play in Euchre than they are about their studies or what is going on around them. JJC may be the most apathetic campus in the state.

To break the monotony of school life the Student Government Association hires comedians and other performers to entertain students on the campus. Other than that, I'm not quite sure what SGA does. Students like to form clubs for the school, but it is next to impossible to get sponsors or funding for these clubs.

Why? Again, apathy hits close to home. Students won't get involved with a club unless there are lots of interesting activities including parties, dances, social gatherings, and trips. The difficulty with this is that JJC does not have enough money to cover or assist in the operation of those clubs. So most of these clubs die on the vine because students won't get involved in the fund raising activities or perform the work that it takes to get a formal club established at JJC.

Some students are paranoid about joining clubs at JJC because they are afraid that the board of trustees will cancel them. The college tennis program is just such an example. We almost lost some really good students to other schools because the JJC Board of Trustees was too cheap, for awhile, to sponsor a tennis team.

Not only is this apathy shown when you look at club memberships. Just go to any JJC sporting event. I went to a football game and much to my surprise not even half the stands were filled. Basketball attendance has been even worse; just ask these five hard working girls on the ladies basketball team. Maybe the student body may not want to cheer for a losing team, but our athletic teams might do better if they had fans cheering for them. Better yet, why don't more students go out for the athletic teams?

Other intercollegiate teams are hard hit. The speech team had only four people travel to its last tournament. However, students think that speech tournaments are more dull than their speech classes, which is false. Our Agriculture department continually brings home honors and the team members still have problems getting recognition.

JJC is well on the way to becoming a state and national champion in several areas. We are already recognized for our culinary arts program; but apathy can ruin our chances for glory.

JJC could, within the next year, have a reputation comparable to the College of DuPage and other prominent junior colleges. It is just that the students keep preventing it from gaining all that future glory.

So instead of sitting on the bridge playing cards, chain smoking, and admiring each others good looks, get involved with this school and try to grab a little piece of the glory that might come to JJC.

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Election met with apathy

By Carolyn Sparks

The recent election for student trustee was met with about as much enthusiasm as the announcement of a new flavor of Jell-O.

After questioning a number of students at the Lockport campus about the campaign, election process, and final outcome, I've reached the conclusion that we are suffering from a terminal case of apathy. The majority of students questioned did not vote, a small group admitted to hearing "something about it," and one student actually said, "Oh, was that last week?"

Once again, the right to express an opinion, actively participate, and vote was abused. The student body used the election to choose a qualified classmate to make their views known as the winners in this race. The losers are those who remain unaware of the activity around them.

Unlike so many of the luxuries we seek today, the right to vote is free.

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Employees continued

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Spese works with the part-time evening instructors at the main campus and at the satellite centers. She also helps part-time instructors with test preparations and instructional material.

"The services which the Evening Program Office provides allow instructors to perform their teaching duties in an efficient and effective manner, thus enabling the instructor to meet both the academic and personal needs of the students as they relate to Joliet Junior College," Spese said.

Shroba, who has been with JJC for 15 years, has served on many committees and helped with many JJC activities.

"I believe we all need to work together as a team to accomplish the goals of the college," Shroba said.

Each honored employee was presented a \$50 check by Douglas Ziech, president of the JJC Foundation. JJC President Dr. Raymond Pietak presented each with a personal engraved plaque.

This is the third year that services as such have been officially recognized at JJC. A staff member is only a potential winner once every five years.



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Weight control group to begin fall semester

By Donna Larkin

Plans are now under way to form a weight control group on campus which will formally begin in the fall semester.

Cheryl Powers, a Joliet Junior College student, is responsible for the organization of the group.

Powers stopped attending Weight Watchers meetings after she began classes at JJC because she did not have enough time to fulfill all her responsibilities. She has since gained back the 61 pounds she lost through Weight Watchers.

"I lost a lot of weight before and when I dropped the support group (Weight Watchers), I gained it all back," Powers said. She feels it is essential to have a support group for people who are trying to lose or maintain their weight. The group, which will be limited to 20 people, will discuss behavior modification, and will have key speakers who have lost weight along with other informative speakers. The group will use a textbook entitled Taking Charge.

In 1977-78, Powers lost 69 pounds. She gained back the full amount after the birth of her son.

To date, Powers has lost 66 pounds, but it has been a struggle of losing and gaining.

"I genuinely care about the people who are trying to lose weight. We are all struggling together," Powers said.

Powers stressed, "Food is a real problem. Sugar and starch are just as addictive as alcohol and drugs."

Powers is working with JJC Health Services Supervisor Jean Dale on the organization of the group. They are also forming a walking club. Both groups are open to students, faculty and administration. For more information on either of the programs, contact Health Services at (815) 729-9020, Ext. 202.

Gen Club welcomes guest speaker

By Ed Wianowski

The Joliet Junior College Gen Club has a special guest speaker planned for its members and the public May 7. Christopher J. Schuberth, Curator of Education at the Illinois State Museum, will describe the geological history of the state of Illinois and its rich mineral deposits.

A graduate with a Master of Science Degree in Geology at New York University, Schuberth served as an Adjunct Assistant Professor of Geology at The City University of New York for 15 years before becoming the curator of the Illinois State Museum in 1977.

"Illinois has been on the move for a very long time," says Schuberth, "at least 1.5 billion years. And it continues to move, continues to respond to the wrenching, subsurface forces such as those that once rocked the boathel of Missouri) the most powerful earthquakes ever to strike the continent when Illinois was then, about 175 years ago, only a frontier state."

According to Schuberth this interplay of geological forces has made Illinois one of the richest sources of lead, zinc, coal, fluorite, and even oil.

For more information about Schuberth's presentation of "Illinois On The Move 1,500 Million Years of Change" call the Physical Science Department at 729-9020 ext. 221.

Register for fall classes now

Full and part time students can register by telephone or in person for Fall Semester 1987 classes at Joliet Junior College. Class schedules will soon be available at all JJC campuses and area residents. The Counseling Department is now scheduling appointments for students who do not have an advisor.

Registration will continue until the first day of classes, Monday, August 24, 1987. Evening classes begin August 31. Course information is available through the Counseling Department, 729-9020, Ext. 413.

To register for classes, persons may telephone 744-2200 from the Joliet area, 942-4580 from the Morris area, (815) 838-2174 from the Bolingbrook/Lenox area, or dial the operator and ask for Enterprise 9020 from other communities.

Confidential health information available

Confidential, non-judgemental contraceptive information may be obtained from the Health Service at any time. Come to G1017 or call ext. 202.

Briefs

Automotive Club reps compete at state level

Three Joliet Junior College automotive services students have earned the right to compete this month in the Illinois State Skill Olympics in Springfield.

Walter Brown of Wilmington, Lu Ann Loach of Joliet, and Keith Schadt of Frankfort competed with other automotive students from the state's community colleges on April 4.

The competition consists of hands-on skills testing and could earn the students a trip to the VICA (Vocational Industrial Clubs of America) Nationals in Dodge City, Kansas.

Tim Airney is the sponsor of the JJC Auto Club.

Free recital

Music students from the Joliet Junior College Fine Arts Department will present a recital at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, April 15, in the Fine Arts Theatre on the Main Campus.

Students from the vocal and instrumental division will perform at this free event which is open to the public.

SGA views suggestions

Within the past few months a committee for the Student Government Association put up suggestion boxes around the campus.

Many suggestions are entered and efforts are in the making to accomplish these proposals.

Some of these suggestions include installation of a clock in the TV lounge, a change machine in A Building, money to update the chemistry lab equipment and to install ceiling fans in the cafeteria to draw up the smoke.

Another suggestion was to start telecommunication courses for minority students. The person who entered this suggestion was not specific enough in their proposal.

The committee for the suggestion boxes asks the students to please be more specific in their concerns. It would be a great help to leave a name and phone number so the committee can be of more assistance to obtain further information. The names and telephone number will be kept in strict confidence within the committee.

Student Government meetings are held every Wednesday at noon in the theater. Reports are given on what suggestions are being made, efforts that are being made, and results that have been made regarding previous suggestions.

The Suggestion Box Committee for SGA would like to thank students for their help and support in this matter.

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Observations of The Sane

By Or. G. W. Bison

Good day, fellow inmates. Today is the first day of the rest of your sentence. Here at the JJC Institute of the Terminally Deranged it is finally time to sit back and think about the current events and changes going on about us.

First let's talk about the recent election. Two issues were up for grabs: inmate Trustee and a referendum which few knew about and fewer gave a flying (explicative deleted) about. In our inmate Trustee election four of our more aspiring inmates ran. Who were they? Who Cares! All that matters is that they couldn't be any worse than our last sacrificial lamb, who ended up as the ward's yes-man and lackey. I don't mean to say that when we sent him into the Valley of Anonymity his intentions weren't good, but when he isn't even allowed to vote what else is there to do but sit and calcify your brain.

All finally said, I hope our new sacrifice has a better time avoiding the Warden's blade of stagnation. The other issue that we supposedly voted upon was a referendum that would have our inmate Trustee appointed, not elected, by some of the more involved and informed inmates. This was of course voted down. Now the point I have to make here is that the inmates who actually took the effort to vote are not like-

ly to be the people to take that right away from themselves, therefore why the hell even bother to have them vote, we already know how it will turn out. Instead let's look at this from another angle, that out of more than 10,000 inmates in our institution a majority of 349 turned out to vote. Put that in your reasonable causes and smoke it.

In a final word, I would like to make a final point. That in our own IGA (Inmate Government Association) we have several active and income-draining organizations called clubs. These are for your enjoyment and benefit, inmates. My only question is: Why aren't we all more involved? We have one club (to remain unnamed, but you know who you are) to which the IGA annually diverts funds to and supports. The only minor hitch is that they have room for only four officers. Needless to say the competition is fierce among the three members. Also there is one person who has to be a lifer at any asylum who says he can start a club which will not only not take any money, but for some unreasonably stupid and insane reason give the IGA money. This man needs swift and repeated electro-shock therapy immediately.

So 'til next issue, unless I'm released. Goodbye from your insane friend,
Dr. G. W. Bison

Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles And Other Strangeness

This month the game review will look at some of the more interesting game supplements along with some new games introduced by the JJC Gamers Association.

Wooden Ships and Iron Men: If you are into sailing ships, this might be the war game for you. The game focuses on the naval battles of the War of 1812. Spanish, English, American, and French ships all fought it out in the Mediterranean Sea at that time, and this game provides a realistic and fun way to relive the past. Ships are generated by a point system, and movement is determined by the type of sails used and wind direction. Battle is resolved by quick consultation of charts and strategy is important if you wish to emerge victorious from battle.

The game even takes into account the different characteristics of the various navies, boarding parties, and the crew's reaction when the ship sinks. Fun, challenging, and easy to learn. Wooden Ships and Iron Men can be found at select hobby shops and costs \$16.

Dueltrack: Car Wars is the only game on the market today that has achieved the honors of earning the Omni Ten Best Games Award, the Games 100 Award, and an H. G. Wells Award nomination for best board game. This game tried to capture the spirit of The Road Warrior movies had only one flaw - the cars were powered by electric motors. The Dueltrack supplement establishes rules for gas powered cars in the Car Wars game, much to the credit of the original game system.

This supplement is detailed enough for the serious car nut, yet it is not overly complex. The game supplement provides rules for turbochargers, Nitrous Oxide, sheet metal armor, and professional racing in the Car Wars gaming system. Found at all hobby shops and most good toy stores the cost is about \$12.

The Cybermen: An interesting and useful game aid for the Doctor Who game, it fills in the necessary gaps needed to carry on a campaign. The supplement is divided into two parts; one that is strictly for players only that can be given to them, the other part is for the referees' eyes only. The supplement provides factual information about these robotic temporal marauders, which over the years have been one of the Doctor's more interesting enemies. Found at most hobby shops the price is a mere \$8.

Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles and Other Strangeness: For those that call for a truly weird role-playing game, this is it. Marked by Palladium this game is based on the popular comic book characters. This game allows players to take an animal type of their choice and mutate them. This can be caused by a variety of ways, which are left up to the imagination of the players. Then you give the creatures human skills such as reading, driving, and martial arts. The characters then go around acting like superheroes and having fun. With interesting cover art, eye catching layout, clear rules, and an efficient combat system (or is that wombat system?), this game is a winner. Found at most hobby shops it is compatible with the Heroes Unlimited role-playing game and costs about \$15.



Photo Opinion

By Donna Larkin
Photos by John Buel

With Spring Break only a few days away, we asked some JJC Junior College students what their plans were for Spring Break. Here are some replies:



Linda Skradal: "If I get my tax return, I'm going on a road trip."



Joe Spahr: "I'm going to Indiana University for Little 500 Weekend."



Bobbi Adams: "Over Spring Break, I'm going to Daytona."



Mike Walter: "I'm going home to Mishawaka, Indiana for Spring Break."



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Running Chance

By Bryan Kasprian

I have been receiving some criticism about my last column. It seems that some of you think I dislike the Beastie Boys album because I am prejudiced to "the musical genre of rap."

I would like to respond to that by saying it's my column so I can be prejudiced to anything I like, just as long as it is responsible.

Secondly, the Beasties did nothing to impress me on this album, and I use that expression loosely. Their vocal/musical performance was nothing but a collection of heavy metal music combined with vulgar lyrics and sound effects that come straight from Pepto-Bismol. It's recording technique, well just put a chainsaw over a microphone and you've duplicated theirs. You may be saying, "Well, that's all true, but what about content?" That's a silly question because that didn't seem to matter to the boys.

These guys are in all their glory right now. It's almost as good as when millions of screaming Madonna fans boomed them off the stage when they opened up for her Virgin Tour, a feat that may never be repeated.

Also, to set the record straight, it's not that I hate rap music because I am a fan of Grand Master Flash, it's just that the Beastie Boys made me ill.

On to another subject.
Well Running Atank is going to take another plan of attack, instead of another record review I am going to review my favorite places to go for hot dogs.
Stepping at number five: **Hey Hot Dog** on Ruby Street, just past of six corners. Offers a variety of the porky pleasures. The best one though is plain, served with mustard.

Number four is **Porkys** on Republic. This used to be Sam's. They also serve a mixed array of dogs, but they are one of the only stands left on a safe side of town that you can get a good Vienna Frank. Anything with one of these wieners on it will make you give up... well maybe they are not this good.

For all of you late nighters Hardees produces number three. Not only is this a good 24-hour restaurant but they put out a mean chili dog for under a buck. These dogs should only be consumed after a mass liquid intake. This is also a favorite stop for my fellow employees at the Wide Hamer, so you minors who can't see us at the joint hang out at Hardees. Just make sure

you don't park next to Wayne's car, he can't come into see me either.

Speaking of the Hammer, Barry puts out the number two chili dog in town. This one you definitely need to be 21 to eat, just because any intestinal system younger would not be able to handle it. But it is one to try if you can.

Number one is the oldest, that I know about, and everybody's favorite. I am speaking of Joe's. Joe has been there 35 years almost as old as some of your teachers. He has got it all. Hot dogs, chili dogs, cheese dogs, Sauerkraut dogs, and a combination of all three. The one to try, if you already haven't is a chili cheese dog with the works and kraut. This will send you for a loop and I mean that literally. One can get a lunch bag full of fries and a pepper around two bucks. This by far is the best hot dog place on town. If you haven't tried it yet I'd suggest you get right over there, but finish my column first.

Okay it is time for another list. This is a compiled list of the ten things that get on my nerves the most.

10. Dungeons and Dragons and other weird games like that.

9. Ed Weisly/dishjunks or however you pronounce it.

8. Run DMC and The Beastie Boys.

7. Guys named Lance and girls named Buffy.

6. Religious fanatics and other beggars who always bother you when you are busy.

5. Jon BonJovi.

4. Hit disks.

3. Entertainment Tonight, all that is, in People Magazine for filibusters.

2. People who don't like my columns and bubble-brained bleach blondes.

1. Any child that Jon BonJovi and Ed Wisniodghjryski could possibly produce.

Well, that's all for this time. I'll leave you with one request, if you like my column send me a note to the Plaza. If you don't just put Ed's name on it and he will put it with his collection.

By Julie McKean

They all sit relaxed, telling stories and joking as laughter fills the air. A sense of warmth and security hovers around as members of the JC Players discuss their upcoming production "Closed Ties." This is probably a typical backstage scene for the somewhat family-oriented club. Nicki Todorovich, sponsor of the JC Players, smiles as she explains the uniqueness of this production.

She states "Closed Ties is the completely student directed and produced production. The students run everything." This once a year production is part of a tradition that started back in 1981 with "The Importance of Being Earnest" and is the innovative idea of Dr. Royleyane Stone.

Family orientation is the basis of "Closed Ties." It is a story about the Frye family who has gathered in the family's summer house in the Berkshires. The grandmother Josephine Whitaker who has always controlled the household with her old fashion forcefulness starts to show signs of senility. Despite the denial of her problem by her daughter Iles and her four grown children Anna, Evelyn, Connie, and Thayer, Josephine's problem grows more serious. She goes for days without eating and even begins to hold conversations with her deceased husband.

On the sensitive side, the Frye family digs beneath the already present problems, into their hearts and find the love needed to solve the crisis that lays before them.

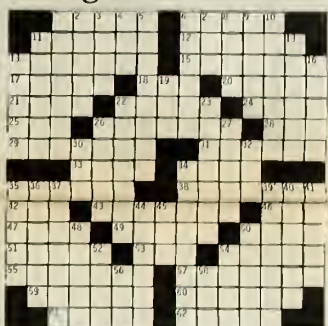
But this time it has deeper meaning. Todorovich states "The students have the chance to use all the knowledge they learn in class and combine that with on hand experience."

Director is Kevin Wahl, producer Kay Tipton, set design is Tim Thompson, lighting by Dave Thomas, and costumes by Amy Harris and is presented by the Fine Arts Department. Todorovich said "It gives the students the chance to use their skills and experience."

Grandmother Josephine Whitaker will be played by Nancy Chase, Pete Bohler as Watson Frye, Linda Gjerdie as Iles Whitaker Frye, LuAnn Leach as Connie, Para Bingham as Anna, Leann Hollifrage as Evelyn, Dutes Miller as Thayer, and Jesus Perez as Ira Blacklock. Production dates are April 30, and May 1 and 2 at 8 p.m. in the theatre. Admission will be \$2.00 for adults, \$1.00 for children, and 50 cents for children under 12. Students with a JJC ID will be admitted free.

"It's a really good show," Dutes Miller's voice echoes from the doorway

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- 1 Burns
- 6 Laughs loudly
- 11 Alpine abode
- 12 Fly
- 14 City in Spain
- 15 Instructive ones
- 17 Cooling fans
- 18 Baseball abbreviation
- 20 Dravidian tongue
- 21 Black birds
- 22 —'s throw
- 24 1970 bathing chair
- 25 Rita
- 26 Texas light
- 28 Luck's partner
- 29 Fit as food
- 31 Refresh, as a room
- 33 Dasha wreaths
- 34 Egyptian god
- 35 sign
- 36 school assignments
- 42 Before, in poetry
- 43 Jack of nursery rhyme, and family
- 46 — de vie
- 47 William
- 49 Secondary nouns
- 50 Arrived
- 51 Wind in bogart
- 53 Actress Hagen
- 54 Examined before
- 55 Legume used for Torque
- 57 Garden flower
- 58 Dravidian tongue
- 59 Black birds
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- 61 College buildings
- 62 Sallors
- 63 Skulls
- 64 Great out
- 65 Show anger
- 66 Math rate
- 67 Item for flyout
- 68 Perimen
- 69 Those happy
- 70 West Indies anglic
- 71 Bounds' partner
- 72 Steel-making
- 73 Element
- 74 Those who make others happy
- 75 West Indies anglic
- 76 Bounds' partner
- 77 Greek letter
- 78 Chryseum
- 79 Sallors, in Athens
- 80 State whose capital is Salem
- 81 Put off
- 82 Ideas logic
- 83 Least force
- 84 Greek material
- 85 Gun shots
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Snorkin: Portrait of a Less Than Average Guy

by Darren Hughes



LET LOOSE

By Wayne Ceranek
Features Editor

"Ramming speed!"

Roll! Roll! Bural!
"You're coming home in a body bag, doo-dah, doo-dah!"

I bet you're all wondering what the hell's going on in the above scene. Well, picture twelve lunatics surrounding several pieces of plywood painted to look like a race track, and moving mailbox cars around. Boy, does that sound intelligent or what? That's one of the activities that is put on by the JJC Gamers Association (JJC GA*111). In this particular case the game was Car Wars.

And I, yes, the one and only (thank God) Wayne Ceranek, have been elected president by these lunatics and as much as I am being forced to inform you people, my readers. My people about this organization "Oh, goody, you're thinking, I get to read about murder. Just bear with me."

First of all, anyone is welcome because the games are taught as they are played, and the members have a wide variety of interests.

All right, with that out of the way I can get to the fun part...I'm going to tell you all about these people. Here we go.

Reid - What can I say about Reid that he wouldn't kill me for? Actually Reid is a great guy with a sense of humor. As a matter of fact Reid is a larger, hairier version of me. Isn't that a scary thought? A large, hairy Wayne running around loose at JJC. He's a goof, isn't he Gus?

Kenny - I don't even want to start talking about Kenny. Kenny is actually our official mascot, but not that Kenny. He thinks that he's the vice president. I know that I'm safe in printing this because Kenny can't read. Sort of like the "Why can't Johnny read?" commercials.

Randy - I call Randy "Squiggly." Don't ask me why - he just looks like a "Squiggly." Randy is one of our most involved players, unfortunately Randy is totally insane. Boy does that make for a fun time.

Kim - Miss Crash, Roll and Burn herself. Kim's the only person in the group that can

take a hairpin turn at 90 miles an hour and make it out in one piece. This is because she has incredible, ah, luck. I still say that somehow she managed to rig the dice.

Mike - Mike seems to be one of the normal members of the group. At least until you get to know him. Boy, talk about an act...if the academy knew about him Newman wouldn't have gotten best actor.

Let's see, I'm also suppose to tell you people that there is going to be a gaming convention held here at JJC on May 9 from nine in the morning until 10 at night. All right guys, I've told them. Now write me!

I must apologize if this column isn't as humorous as some of my past ones have been, but unfortunately, I've recently become single again (against my will, but I guess there's nothing I can do about it). And now I'd like to announce that I am accepting applications. Included must be some background information, hobbies, interests, etc., and a picture. Optional is an essay entitled, "Why I Would Like To Live With Wayne." It can be turned in at room J008 (mail it in, send it through campus mail, use carrier pigeon, give it to Ed, or take care how but get those applications in).

Well, I'm a little over halfway done with my column and I've already run out of ideas. Let's see what else I could write on...I could tell you all how much I hate Ed...No, I do that every column, I want to do something different...I could talk about Oral Roberts...I know that I'm going to take a lot of flack for this one, but hey...you

only live twice. First of all what kind of fish is Oral? I don't think that I could go to church on Sunday morning and listen to somebody named Oral after what I did on Saturday night. And now he says that he's going to raise eight million dollars a year until Jesus returns. Boy would I hate to be Oral when he does return because he'll owe God a lot of money. And what about...no I think that I had better lay off Oral for now before God decides that that is quite enough and zaps me. I think that since Oral said that he'd die on April 1 God should have zapped him on April 2 as an April Fool's joke.

What else could I lampoon? How about if I make fun of the SGA plan to bring some nice in to clean up the lake. It's only taken them over a year to finally decide on something. Sheesh!

Well, I just remembered what I wanted to tell you guys (gals? creatures?) about. Ed and I went to Chicago for the night a little while ago, and guess who got me lost. Here it is 2:30 and Ed's screaming, "My God! We're in Wilmette!" Yes...more fun than humans should be allowed to have. Wayne's helpful hint No. 67: Never let Ed drive anywhere unless it's a major life and death...and even then check to see if you can get a ride with anyone else first.

Well, it's about time to stop wrapping this thing up, but before I do I'd like to thank JBC for the nice letter they wrote to me. Thanks, whoever you are. I'd also like to say to that someone out there that I'm still screaming, and I won't give up. So until next time...happy snails to you. UTUG-GH!

Father Gibbs: A New Face

JJC is a big place filled with a lot of new faces and new challenges. A student may become lost among the homework and the socializing. Everyday there are new expectations to meet and things to remember. It is easy to see how an individual can become just another face in the crowd. However, one face stands out in the educational crowd. That face belongs to Father Larry Gibbs, the newly assigned Catholic Chaplain here at JJC.

Gibbs, who has been here since September is available two days a week, usually Tuesday or Thursday, for counseling. He stated "I am available for counseling whether it be personal or spiritual." His friendly voice and caring attitude presents him as a person that is easy to talk with about any kind of problem.

He was assigned to JJC as a result of his work on a doctoral paper on ecumenism. He explained, "The material in my paper reflects on my work here at JJC. I am very open minded on all churches." He added, "I want to focus on the students, faculty and education."

However, Gibbs' work doesn't stop at counseling. He has taught for five semesters at the College of St. Francis, and is currently teaching a theology class there. He is also campus minister at North Central College in Naperville. And for two and a half years has had his own radio show on WJOL Sunday mornings at 10:30 called Catholic World.

Gibbs has been with the Church of St.

Joseph in Rockdale for nine months and can be accredited with numerous prestigious awards. In 1966 he received a BA in philosophy and an IBC in Lisle. In 1970 he was involved in a seminary at Saint Meinrad and received a Master of Divinity at Loyola University in Chicago. He earned a Master in Education for counseling in 1971 and a Doctorate of Ministry at Northern Baptist in 1984. He was also involved in a theology seminar in Lombard, and was the first Catholic priest to graduate from Northern Baptist University.

As for his plans at JJC Gibbs stated "I hope to establish a Neuman Club. This is a Catholic club that has been established on college campuses all over the United States." He added, "In this club we will sponsor lectures for all religions and have guest speakers to speak on religion." Gibbs concluded, "There will also be other special activities established in hopes to foster friendship and continue growth, both personally and spiritually."

Future plans for Father Gibbs include a trip to Washington OC for ten days.

Father Gibbs can be reached at St. Joseph's Church at 725-4469 or at his office in the Marycrest shopping center, 2112 West Jefferson, Suite 217 or by calling 275-0386. Messages may also be left at Henry Pillard's office, ext. 308.

So next time you're feeling lost just another face in the crowd, remember that there is someone out there that you can talk to.

Honor Council remains firm

The Vanderbilt University Honor Council remains firm in its conviction that selection of members by a committee of Council and faculty representatives is preferable to election by the student body, according to Colin Luke, Honor Council public affairs officer.

Luke also rebutted charges that the Honor Council's lack of precedent system resulted in decisions that were unfair to students. The Council set up a committee to investigate the possibility of establishing a precedent system, Luke said. "We brought it up for a fair bearing," Luke said, adding that the Council was a fair cross-section of Honor Council members. "It was the decision of the Honor Council that a precedent system

was not appropriate."

"We are going to continue as we have been," Luke said. "With the understanding that problems with the Council's procedures or leadership will be brought up in the group." The Honor Council provides several opportunities for members to discuss the group's policies, Luke said. Council members are at liberty to voice their opinions publicly at group meetings and retreats or privately in anonymous surveys or a letter to the Honor Council leadership.

Luke pointed to the Honor Council's anonymous survey of its members. The survey included questions about selecting members. Of the 52 responses Luke received, only one indicated dissatisfaction with the selection process.

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Men split first game

By Elaine Paszyn

On Monday, March 23, the JJC men's baseball team opened up their season by splitting a doubleheader with Truman College. JJC won the first game 5-2, and lost the second 5-3. Scott Kjellesvik was the winning pitcher for the Wolves in the first game. Joliet West graduate Brad Egly finished the game with two innings of relief pitching. J.O. Schaller led in offense by driving in two runs. The Wolves captured three first-inning runs. In the second game, shortened because of darkness, Jim Harris, a graduate from Catholic High took the loss. Pat Sexton contributed all three runs for JJC.

Three days later, Joliet Junior College split a doubleheader once again with South Eastern. The Wolves lost the first game 1-5. J.D. Schaller doubled twice, but only squeezed out two other hits in the game.

In the second game of the doubleheader, Ron Kevish earned the win. Paul Rekar, a graduate of Lincoln-Way, came in for last

inning relief. Mark Maley homered and Jim Skowronski smashed in two hits for JJC.

On March 27, JJC faced Paducah and split their third doubleheader in a row. The Wolves won the first game 5-0. Scott Kjellesvik struck out nine and added five hits. Phil Dunne was 2 for 2 and scored a double and drove in one run.

Paducah squeaked by JJC in the second game by a score of 4-3. The winning run came in on a bases-loaded walk in the seventh inning. Brett Koehler was the main highlight of the game with a two-run single. The Wolves were down 3-0 before scoring three runs in the seventh inning.

On March 28, the Wolves played a doubleheader against John A. Logan. The Wolves were the first and lost the second.

The following day JJC went up against Southeastern College and split again by winning the first game and losing the second.

On March 31st, the men played Kankakee Community College and lost the second game. The second game was suspended due to darkness.

On April 1, the Wolves returned home and played the St. Francis JV's and lost by a score of 14-9.

The next day, the team was on the road again facing Parkland College for a doubleheader. The Wolves lost the opener 15-3. The second game was called due to snow and the 30 degree temperature.

JJC faces Parkland College at home at 1:00 p.m. tomorrow for a doubleheader.

Vacation Bound



1987 Joliet Junior College Baseball Schedule

OPPONENT	DATE	PLACE	TIME
Truman College	March 23	H	1:30 p.m.
South Eastern	March 26	A	1:00 p.m.
Paducah	March 27	A	1:00 p.m.
John A. Logan	March 28	A	1:00 p.m.
Southeastern	March 29	A	1:00 p.m.
Kankakee C.C.	March 31	A	1:30 p.m.
St. Francis JV's	April 1	H	2:00 p.m.
Parkland College	April 2	A	1:00 p.m.
Illinois Valley C.C.	April 4	H	1:00 p.m.
Morton Towner	April 5	A	12:30 p.m.
Harper College	April 7	A	1:30 p.m.
Waubesaee College	April 9	A	2:00 p.m.
Lewis JV's	April 10	A	3:00 p.m.
Rock Valley College	April 11	A	12:00 noon
Parkland College	April 14	H	1:00 p.m.
I.B.C.	April 17	A	10:00 a.m.
College of DuPage	April 18	A	12:00 noon
Lewis JV's	April 20	H	1:00 p.m.
Marshall Valley College	April 21	H	1:00 p.m.
St. Francis JV's	April 23	A	2:00 p.m.
Blackhawk College	April 24	H	1:00 p.m.
Thornhill College	April 25	H	1:00 p.m.
I.B.C.	April 26	H	1:00 p.m.
Triton College	April 28	H	1:00 p.m.

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SPRING BREAK '87

Sports News

By Elaine Paszyna

It's nice to know that mid-term is over and that Spring break is just around the corner. Many people have been making plans for trips to Florida, Hawaii, and other warm, sunny places, but what are you going to do if a trip is not feasible?

For starters, there is the Joliet Junior College men's baseball team. Games have already started, and continue through the end of April.

As I have said before, the teams at the college need our support. The players and coaches have put in a great deal of time and effort into practices and drills. Wouldn't it be embarrassing if at the next home game, the opposing team had more fans than JJC?

Next, I called some of the park districts in the area and found many different classes and activities which are starting soon.

The Joliet Recreation Center, Jefferson Street, Joliet, will be having sand volleyball games. Registration begins May 11 at the main office. Cost is \$100 a team, and \$120 for non-resident teams. Games begin June 12 and last through August 14. For more information call 727-1011.

I will be receiving a catalog for summer events from Inwood in a few weeks. More about this catalog will be given in my next column.

Thirdly, the Lockport Racquet Sports and Health Center are offering aerobics, dance aerobics, low impact aerobics, exercise and body bands classes. Class days for these programs run Monday through Thursday. All members can receive a 10 percent discount and a free nursery is available for morning classes.

The Sports Health Center also offers a variety of tennis programs and racquetball classes. On Fridays there is also a tennis special. You can play two hours for \$13 from noon until closing and save 35 percent.

The Lockport Park District will once again be offering such classes as aerobics, exercise for health, men's basketball, adult open gym, 90 minute exercise, and Jazzercise. Times, dates, locations, and costs can be obtained at the Administration Office, 1911 South Lawrence Street, or by calling 838-1183. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Finally, Mayflower Tours is sponsoring a three day trip to see the Cubs against the Cincinnati Reds. Highlights include one dinner, one lunch, two evening games with box seats and Cincinnati sightseeing. Departure date is May 28. Costs for rooms range from \$265 to \$288.

The tour begins at the Holiday Inn Joliet, 411 Larkin Ave. A \$50 deposit is necessary, and final payment is due May 12. For more information ask for Dixie Baisley at (815) 744-7403. (I'd rather see a Sox game myself.)

So you see, even if you can't afford that trip to Florida or Hawaii for Spring Break, and you don't want to be stuck in your bedroom going through and cleaning out your closets (otherwise known as Spring cleaning) that you were supposed to have done over Christmas break, but never got around to it, there is plenty more to do. You might not get that great tan some of your friends will have, but you will enjoy yourself!

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JJC's Dave Mondrella slides safely home, while batter Phil Dunn (?) watches the close play.

Apply Now for Students win Gordie's Run in tournament

By Elaine Paszyna

The field of runners is taking shape for the seventh annual Gordie's Run, a 10-kilometer race named after College of St. Francis coach and athletic chairman Gordie Gillespie.

This year's event, sponsored by the College and Eagle Brands, local distributor of Bud Light, will be held Sunday, May 3, at 8 a.m. at the College, located at Wilcox and Taylor Streets in Joliet. Registration will be held in the CSF Recreation Center. More than 500 serious runners are expected to compete for trophies in the fifth of 15 races in the 1987 Will County Road Race Circuit.

Awards will go to the top five overall men and women and to the top three finishers in each of 18 five-year age categories for men and women. There is also a "Master Trophy" awarded to the first man and woman over the age of 40 to finish.

Split times will be provided at each mile and three water stations will be available along the course. The Joliet Police Department will control traffic to insure the safety of all runners, and refreshments, courtesy of Kemmerer Bottling, will be provided following the race.

In addition to the serious runners, about 1,000 fund raising runners from area schools will run to raise money for their organizations. Students obtain pledges for each kilometer completed with the proceeds going to their school or organization. Participating schools include College of St. Francis, Joliet Catholic High School, St. Francis Academy, Reed-Custer High School, Joliet West High School, Joliet Central High School, Bolingbrook High School, Lincoln Way High School, Romeoville High School, St. Andrew's School, St. Patrick's School, St. Paul's School and St. Raymond's School. Additional schools interested in participating in the fund raiser should contact Pat Sullivan, Race Director, at (815) 740-3464.

All entrants, serious and fund raising, will be given an official Gordie's Run T-shirt. Door prizes donated by area businesses will be raffled among serious runners at the awards ceremony scheduled for 9:30 a.m.

The course record of 31:14 was established by Gary Moss in 1983. The women's record, held by Bridget Collins (1986), is 36:44. The 1986 winners were Gary Moss (32:10) and Bridget Collins.

The entry fee for serious runners is \$7 in advance or \$9 the day of the race beginning at 6:30 a.m. in the Recreation Center. Registrations can be obtained by writing Gordie's Run, College of St. Francis, 500 Wilcox Street, Joliet, IL 60435, or calling the Athletic Department at (815) 740-3464.

Player Spotlight

By Bryan Kasprisin

Freshman baseball player Pat Sexton is the proud recipient of this issue's Player Spotlight.

Sexton is a rotating designated hitter and a starting pitcher for the Wolves squad.

Sexton, who is primarily a junk ball pitcher, says he relies on his curve ball and is not afraid to use it. He has had two decisions this year. Although he has lost both of them, he has thrown the ball well.

"The defense has been shaky, but in the long run I know they'll come back to help me," Sexton said.

Sexton is very optimistic about the season and says they will get out of the rut they are in and win some ball games.

As a DH, Sexton plays about every five games. He is carrying a .275 batting average and says he can hit with power.

Sexton feels the team is going to be exciting and as soon as the weather starts improving, the team will improve with leaps and bounds.



Pat Sexton

place team. Trophies were also presented to the first and second place individual in each of the other events.

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JJC Producers on "Image Union"

By: Ed Wisniewski

A video tape produced by three Joliet Junior College students was exhibited on Channel 11 WTTW Chicago's half hour program "Image Union." The tape entitled "Men of War," was a series of interviews with combat veterans from World War I and II, the Korean War, and Vietnam.

"It was really a pleasant surprise to see that their tape was accepted," said Fred Harris, instructor if the Media and TV class at JJC.

The Media and TV class, says Harris, is a regular college credit course where students learn to produce video tapes of a documentary nature. Students also learn how to use most of the equipment that is necessary to produce video tape programs.

The students who produced the tape that was shown on "Image Union" Aug. 1 and 2 were Brian Atrill of New Lenox, Robin LeVoy of Cahery, and Tim Yapp of New Lenox.

Atrill plans to transfer to a four year college. He is interested in military science. LeVoy graduated from JJC this spring with an associate degree and will transfer to the University of Arizona to continue her studies in Communications. LeVoy was also a member of the BLAZER staff last year. Yapp plans to transfer to a four-year college. He says that he is interested in writing for film and television.

"I thought that they had a chance with the subject matter that they were discussing in their tape," says Harris.

The video was shown on the American Cable system Channel 15 during the sta-

tions Memorial Day programming. However, two other productions put on by the Media and TV class have also been shown on local cable. Student productions on the history of Joliet and a look at the nature trail here at JJC were also shown on cable channel 15 over the year.

"Local cable has been very receptive to us and our needs," says Harris.

The 25-minute long tape shown on "Image Union" was a historical record of the recollections of combat veterans from every major war this century. In their own words they responded to questions that were given to them off-camera.

Mike Green, 89, of Joliet, was the oldest veteran interviewed. He served with the United States Marines, 18th company, second division and was among the American Expeditionary Forces in France between 1918 and 1919.

Richard Swan of Joliet served in the U.S. Army, 10th Mountain Division, Company 1 of the 86th regiment in Italy during 1944 and 1945.

Jim Voitek of Joliet served in Korea and reflected on his memories as a member of the U.S. Army in the 937th Field Artillery Battalion IX Corps during 1953.

George Yapp Jr. of New Lenox served

in the 1st Marine Division, Second Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, Echo Company, 3rd Platoon during the Vietnam conflict in 1966 and 1967.

Three of the veterans are associated with Cantigny Post 367 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars on Horseshoe Drive in Joliet.

"We are grateful for the assistance of the Cantigny Post in helping us locate veterans," said Harris.

Students interested in learning more about the Media and TV class here at JJC should contact Fred Harris at Media Services in the Library.



Robin LeVoy, Jim Yapp, Brian Atrill and Fred Harris working on their video.

1987 Tuition up

By: Katie Larkin

Tuition fees have taken a jump this year by increasing three dollars per credit hour. In the past, student tuition stood at \$18 per credit hour, unchanged since 1983. However, in April 1986, the Board of Trustees voted to increase tuition cost to \$21 per credit hour.

"We were very hesitant to approve a tuition increase, but we had to maintain a balanced budget," said Mr. Brinkman, Vice President of Business and Financial Affairs.

Included in the JJC balanced budget are school operating cost such as, electricity, salaries, upkeep, and supply costs.

Part of the tuition increase does go to the 6% increase in teacher salaries, administrators, and clerical employees at JJC. A comparison between JJC's tuition rates with 13 neighboring community colleges for the 1987-88 year show that JJC's

tuition is less expensive than 11 of the 13 colleges surveyed.

Three of the institutions surveyed indicated that they will be raising their tuition rates this year. Colleges included in the survey were Thornton, McHenry, Elgin, Prairie State, Morrisville Valley, Lake County, Morton, Kankakee, and Oakton.

Despite the tuition increase, enrollment is up slightly this fall by 2 1/2% compared to last year.

"We've done a more ambitious job in recruiting students here, showing them what we have to offer," said Brinkman.

Brinkman did confess that the board of trustees were anticipating a tuition increase this year, but it may not be necessary.

"If enrollment keeps increasing and the upkeep is good, we won't have to increase tuition," he added.

FY 88 TUITION & FEES: NEIGHBORING COMMUNITY COLLEGES

Tuition is going up, but we still less expensive than most schools.

Speech team ready

By: Ed Wisniewski

The Joliet Junior College speech team is getting ready for another season hoping to repeat their success from last year. The speech team produced one national champion last year and placed third over-all in the state. Head coach Ed Sutter has been actively looking for new members who wish to join the team as freshmen and sophomores.

"We start in earnest in the middle of September, but it looks like that it is going to be a very good year," he says.

Last year the speech team collected over 20 individual and team trophies during the season. While losing national champion LeAnne Fabricky to Bradley University, the team has a strong core of returning sophomores ready to compete on this season.

"Two are returning, maybe three. It looks like we are not going to do the rebuilding that we did last year. I have even been looking in my speech classes for students with promise, and asking them to join the team," says Sutter.

Some of the events that speech contestants participate in are, verse and prose reading, impromptu and informative speaking, after dinner speaking and duet interpretation. Most of these events center on how well contestants can influence or

inform an audience, but others are used strictly for entertainment value.

Freshmen are invited to come out for the team, says Sutter. Speech team has a minimum of regular practice hours giving the students a chance to practice around their schedule. Most tournaments are on weekends so speech team does not interfere with school or regular jobs.

For more information about the speech team go to room K-0402 and ask for Ed Sutter.

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Wizo's Wisdom

By: Ed Wisniewski

Freshmen, do you find yourself in a state of confused paranoia trying to get adjusted to your first year of college? Don't feel alone, one year ago I had that same feeling when I first came to JJC. You will also discover that feeling of hopelessness won't disappear until you receive your first report card. Don't worry, JJC has a patented system of helping get rid of the "end-of-the-world-feeling".

The system is simply called "getting involved". If you doubt me, I think that you should look at the facts as stated in the Who's Who of American High school students. Dr. Jacob C. Martinson, President of Brevard College, who wrote and article for the Who's Who Booklet thinks that junior college students are making the smartest choice of their lives.

"The individual has an opportunity to become more involved more quickly in the total life of the college. Where else could a student be representative to the college committee and the Board of Trustees at the age of 18?" he says.

At JJC this is a reality with Debbie Camacho who was recently elected as student trustee last spring. As a freshman she ran for and won the trustee election which makes her your representative to the college board of trustees. Camacho also worked for the school as a student employee, getting involved even before she showed an interest in being a student trustee.

It didn't take much for Debbie to get involved and other freshmen have also made their mark here at JJC. LeAnne Fabrycki from Shorewood came to JJC, was asked to join the speech team, and is now a national champion in Extemporaneous speaking. It only took a few hours of hard work a week for her to earn national recognition, maybe you can do the same.

JJC also offers you a chance to get your act together before you go on to get a job or transfer to a four year college. All of the instructors have masters degrees and a sizable majority have earned Ph.D.'s. Unlike most four year colleges, you actually know your instructors and they directly challenge you to learn. Anyone who has had Mr. Asher, Mr. Hürner, or Mr. Stohart will know what I mean.

Don't get me wrong, a freshman's life is filled with long hours of homework and headaches. It isn't going to be easy, but keep in mind that nothing in life is easy. You are in for some serious brain exercise if you plan to earn your degree here at JJC. However, if you give it a special effort and get involved in school, you'll look back over your freshman year and think it was easy.

Go to a few football games and get rowdy. Unwind in the student lounge over our very own lake. Ignore the large masses of gruesome algae floating in the lake. The school administration did when I was a freshman. Find out what the game club is up to and go out for the athletic teams. You have nothing to lose and everything to gain.

LeAnne and Debbie found their little bit of glory their freshman year and you can too if you'd only get involved.

So what's it going to be, a year long headache or a chance to really excel? The choice is yours and I hope you make the right choice and get involved at JJC.



Freshman year driving you bananas, relax, tune-in, turn-on, and get involved.



President welcomes students back

Welcome to Joliet Junior College! I hope you feel the excitement in the air as the 1987-88 academic year begins.

As a community college, this institution is dedicated to developing the potentials of persons and institutions throughout the college district. In simplest terms, Joliet Junior College is a community committed to providing opportunities for personal and professional advancement.

The college can provide personnel, facilities and services—but the real "electricity" required to accomplish this goal is furnished by you, the students of Joliet Junior College. Your energy and dedication to success enhances not only the pursuit of your personal goals, but also the endeavors of those around you.

Somewhere within these classes and college activities in the coming year, there awaits a person who will benefit greatly from your presence.

The person may be a faculty member

eager for the challenge of a student with a sincere interest in a particular discipline, curriculum, or career.

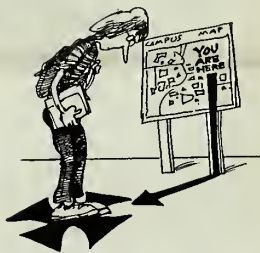
He or she may be a fellow student in need of an encouraging word to bolster their spirits.

Or, it may be a club sponsor who is looking for a student whose contributions will provide inspiration and direction.

As you go to classes and join others in campus events throughout the year, watch the faces of those around you. Each smile you receive will be a reflection of the spirit you bring to this institution.

Remember also, that Joliet Junior College is a resource which functions best when utilized to the fullest extent. If, by your questions and contributions, you challenge us to perform at our best, we will then be maximizing your opportunities for success.

Enjoy the year!



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In the Out Door

with Ray Kochever

Aloha. Welcome to the fall semester. To begin with, my name is Ray Kochever (that's Co-Cha-ver) and I used to hang around the Blazer Office last year and shoot baskets with the dead stories. Well, to make a long story short, the staff tied me up and persuaded me to stop acting like a bum and do something constructive. So here I am! (who was acting anyway?)

Anyhow, last week I was driving down the road trying to think of something to write about when the light turned red. As I pulled up to the white line, I happened to notice the guy next to me. He had his windows rolled up and was just singing away to a song on the radio which I could not hear. This struck me as both humorous and strange and I began to wonder. Do a lot of people do this when they are driving alone in a car? Just know that I needed to find out and then I realized that I am now in a good position to ask people and report my findings. So we now have our first Fall '87 Reader Survey!

After reading this column, please write down your reactions to this question: While driving alone in your car, a song comes on the radio that you know the words to. Do you sing along with the radio, no matter who may be watching from afar?

On a piece of paper, a matchbook cover, or even an empty bubble-gum wrapper (empty, please) write down an answer and drop it off in the Blazer Office, room G1008. This not only satisfies my own curiosity, but it also lets me know how many people are reading my column. (My predecessor never had much luck with surveys but maybe I will.) With luck you shall see the results in the very next issue.

Well now, my next order of business is to establish something I would like to call "The Word of the Issue". In each issue I will try to present a situation or unusual word that I come across somewhere and is usable in everyday situations (for some people, others may not use it at all). In this issue we will use a word I overheard at the Ones this summer. Our word for the issue is: Oude-ish.. It probably means something like knarly or radical (I didn't ask because the eight guys that used it looked too messed up on cough syrup or something).

Enough of that for now. I would like to take this time to welcome all the Freshmen to college life without drama. Trust me when I tell you that the Cafe is full of real food even though some people will try and tell you that the rice pudding can walk (right Ed?). Don't worry about the people lounging around on the bridge because they are harmless as long as they have a deck of cards in their hands, and even though other people will tell you differently, your high school elevator keys you bought when you were a freshman are not needed here...they are free. Also, be nice to the quiet people that carry their books in briefcases because they are probably pre-law and may defend you someday. Who knows?

Let me also welcome back and congratulate all those who passed last year. Please say "Hi" to people who look familiar even if you can't remember their names because they can't remember yours either.

For those old friends who are done and gone, we miss you all. Till next time, Love Ya....

September

BACK TO SCHOOL



By: Julie McKean

AUCTIONS FOR THE J.C. MAORIGLS (CHAMBER SINGERS): Will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, August 31, in room K1003 of the Fine Arts Center.

THE MARVELOUS STORY OF PUS IN BOOTS: Will begin Tuesday, September 1 and continue Wednesday, September 2. Eleven actors are needed including an important part for an eight or nine year old. The production will be presented later this year on October 8-10.

CLASS: "ART OF THE COMMON PEOPLE": From 7:30 to 10:20 p.m. on Wednesday, September 2 through December 9 at Governors State University. (312) 534-5000, Ext. 2461.

ART SHOW: "64/20": An display of 64 silver print works. On display September 4-28 at Governors State University Infinity Gallery from 3-7 p.m.

(312) 534-5000, Ext. 2461.

JOLIET JUNIOR COLLEGE PLANETERIUM LECTURE SERIES: Begins its four part lecture series Friday, September 11, at 7:30 p.m.

CLASS: FILOMOMM JAPAN IN THE ECO PERIOD: Saturdays, September 12-26, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

"WORLD OF FRANCHISING EXPOSITION": Saturday and Sunday, September 12 and 13, 1-800-445-1653.

CROSSROADS ARTS AND CRAFTS EXPRESSIONS: Will be presented by the American Society of Artist at Highland Park on Saturday and Sunday, September, 12 and 13.

BROOKFIELD ZOO: GRANDPARENTS DAY: Sunday, September 13. Grandparents honored as special guests. 485-0263.

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Joliet Junior College has jobs for students in need

By: Julie McKean
Features Editor

KABOOM. Uh-oh, not again. The piece of metal you call your car that you spent all your time working on and fed almost every paycheck into has just experienced a severe case of indigestion. So what is this time? A new motor, shocks, a blown gasket, a flat tire, what? You drive to safety and investigate. Okay, so it's nothing that can't be fixed but then you suddenly remember that your spare tire is buried somewhere in the depths of the garage.

Now that you're home after an unusually long wait for a towtruck and even bigger surprise awaits you. On the table your insurance for the beatmobile, a tuition bill, credit card bill, a renewal for a magazine subscription, and the bill for your latest car repair are all staring you in the face.

As if bills aren't enough, you are faced with an even greater problem. You cringe as you open the envelope and read the shocking and often ridiculous amount. It's time like this we realize the source of all our financial problems. Unemployment. No job and no cash.

Now that you're back in school where can you find a job that is flexible and allows you time to study? Most stores have probably already hired their quota and have no further openings or the only openings available are afternoons or midnight. Well then fine if you're a night person but what about the student who attends school during the day or the parent who has children to take care of?

What about expenses? It seems today you can't do much for under 20 dollars.

What about education? What do you intend to do after Junior College? Tuition costs at other universities and colleges are nothing to laugh at.

Whether it be saving for further education and investments or just a little income to keep your needs and social life in the proper perspective, the fact still remains. You need a job.

Joliet Junior College wants to help. A thoroughly composed job placement is

available to help you get back on your feet and cash in your pocket.

There are numerous on campus positions available. For example, law enforcement students may apply for a dispatch officer who will answer phone, type reports, assist court officers, and has good communication skills.

If you like to fix things (other than cars) the LRC is looking for a technician to make minor repairs and move equipment.

If you like to work with other people than perhaps being an lab assistant in the fields of chemistry or horticulture may interest you. No experience is needed and both positions will train their employees.

Maybe you're good with machines. There are many jobs open that involve working with machines such as computers while performing other duties such as xeroxing, typing, filing, and proofreading. On campus jobs cut down on traveling costs and allow people to become involved with one another and the college.

What if Joliet Junior College is a little too far away from where you reside or you have other far away obligations to tend to? Luckily possible job opportunities aren't just campus related. The job bulletin offers various other jobs ranging in occupations from food service, security guards, sales and management, nursing, secretarial and office positions, and bank telling to interior designing, cleaning, door-to-door selling, child care, babysitting, teaching, merchandising, and much, much more.

Whether it be a constructive way to spend some of your free time or a full fledged source of income, the job placement program will certainly lead you in the right direction.

For an on campus position stop by the Job Placement Office, H1001 and see Teri Cullen or pick up a Joliet Junior College Job Bulletin located by the Student Affairs Office.

So come on, open your eyes to the working world. On it now and start that cash flowing because you never know what surprise awaits you next.



"Introduction to Direct Marketing" and "Planning/Strategy/Critical Numbers."

(312) 922-0439
CLASS: THE ART OF BONSAI: Tuesdays, September 15 - October 20, 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

CLASS: CHARLES DARWIN AND HIS EVOLUTIONARY IDEAS: Tuesdays, September 15-29, 7-9 p.m. (312) 322-8855.

THE "COMEDY MONSTER" Rich Purpura, September 16 from 11-1 p.m. on the bridge.

CLASS: CHICAGO'S POTAWATOMI INDIANS: WHERE DID THEY GO? Thursdays, September 17-October 22, 7-9 p.m.

STEVEN OIETZ'S TEN NOVEMBER: Opens the 1987-88 season on Thursday, September 17.

CHICAGO INTERNATIONAL NEW ARTS EXPOSITION: Returns to Navy Pier, September 18-21. (312) 787-6858.

by JON CALDARA

E STREET





Sports News

By: Elaine Paszyna

It is already the second week of school and numerous activities at the Joliet Junior College Sports Department are underway.

For starters, tennis is back at JJC. The women's team is under the direction of Susan Carey Stephenson. Anyone interested in playing on the team should go to room G1002 for more information.

The men's team is coached by Tim Vanderwall and will begin play with the spring season. Both the men's and women's teams play in the North Central Community College (NAC). The teams will play approximately 16 matches.

To be eligible for the JJC team, students must be taking at least 12 hours of credit classes. There is no age limit.

A native of Joliet, Stephenson now gives public and private tennis lessons. From 1979 to 1982, she coached the tennis team at JJC. Her women's team placed third, fifth and eighth in the state during those years. One year, the team missed going to the national finals by one point in a tie-breaker game.

Stephenson also coached the men's team in 1981 and 1982. During that time, she was the only woman in Illinois coaching a men's team.

The women's volleyball team is under the direction of the new head coach Christine Belthoover. Their first game is Tuesday, September 8 at the College of Saint Francis at 7:00 p.m. Both Susan and Christine are being well wished as the season kicks off.

Speaking of kicking off, the Joliet Junior College football team plays their first game on Saturday, September 5 at Thornton College at 1:00 p.m. Head coach is Tom Horne. Assistant coaches include: Tim Oailey, Scott Harper, Ron Jacobs, Wayne King, Gary Rynne, Jeff Seymour, Ron Shane and Scott Sutherland.

Also, Darren Ray, a football player at JJC, has been named a United States National Collegiate Award winner in football according to an announcement from the United States Achievement Academy. The Academy recognizes less than 10 percent of all American college students.

Ray, a sophomore, was nominated for this national award by Tom Horne. Ray will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Collegiate Yearbook, published nationally.

He is the son of Jeff and Judy Ray of Minooka. His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ray of Minooka and Mrs. Monta Claire Robertson of Marion.

The academy selects USAA winners upon the exclusive recommendation of professors, coaches, counselors, or other school sponsors and upon the Standards of Selection set forth by the Academy.

The criteria for selection are a student's academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, attitude and cooperative spirit, dependability, and recommendations from a professor or operator. The BLAZER extends congratulations and best wishes to Darren as the season opens.

As a freshman, I know how it can be the first week of school. The first week is over! You survived! You've found your classes, met your teachers; now it's time to take advantage of college activities. By going to the sporting events here at JJC, you can see exciting games and meet new people.

Our first issue of the BLAZER is geared to the freshmen. We've tried to let you know who's who, and when and where of certain activities. I hope my column has helped. Until next issue...WELCOME!!!

1987 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

JOLIET JUNIOR COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL — 1987
 Tuesday, Sept. 8, 7:00 p.m.
 College of St. Francis (Tr.) T
 Thursday, Sept. 10, 5:00 p.m.
 Moraine Valley College - H
 Tuesday, Sept. 15, 4:00 p.m.
 Rock Valley College - T
 Thursday, Sept. 17, 4:30 p.m.
 Morton College - T
 Saturday, Sept. 19, 12:00 noon
 Oakton College (Tr.) - T
 Tuesday, Sept. 22, 5:00 p.m.
 Wabash College (Quad.) - T
 Thursday, Sept. 24, 5:00 p.m.
 College of DuPage - H
 Saturday, Sept. 26, time: TBA
 Carl Sandburg (Tournament) - T
 Tuesday, Sept. 29, 7:30 p.m.
 Harper College - T
 Tuesday, Oct. 6, 4:00 p.m.
 Thornton College - T
 Wednesday, Oct. 7, 5:00 p.m.
 Morton College - H
 Tuesday, Oct. 13, 5:00 p.m.
 Triton College - H
 Wednesday, Oct. 14, 5:00 p.m.
 Kankakee College - H
 Fri. & Sat., Oct. 16 & 17, time: TBA
 St. Louis (Tournament) - T
 Tuesday, Oct. 20, 5:00 p.m.
 Oakton & Lake County - H
 Saturday, Oct. 24, 1:00 a.m.
 Illinois Valley College/Carl Sandburg - T
 Tuesday, Oct. 27, 6:00 p.m.
 Kankakee/Illinois Valley - T
 Thursday, Oct. 29, 5:00 p.m.
 Kankakee College (Tr.) - T
 Saturday, Oct. 31, time: TBA
 Sectionals @ Morton College - T
 Tuesday, Nov. 3, 5:00 p.m.
 Sauk Valley (Tr.) - T
 Fri. & Sat., Nov. 6 & 7, time: TBA
 Regionals @ College of DuPage - T

Sat., Sept. 5, 1:00 p.m.
 Thornton - T
 Sat., Sept. 12, 1:00 p.m.
 Rock Valley - H
 Sat., Sept. 19, 7:30 p.m.
 Illinois Valley - T
 Sat., Sept. 26, 1:00 p.m.
 Harper - H
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 Scott Sutherland (Centers and Guards)

Tom Horne ready for opening game

The Joliet Junior College men's football team is geared up for their first game against Thornton at Thornton on September 5 at 1:00 p.m.

Coach Tom Horne feels that the teams' enthusiasm and attitude is excellent.

"The attitude is of a family atmosphere among the players; a feeling of togetherness all the way—win, lose, or draw. The teams' attitude is zeroed in on becoming a better student, an attitude that was not prevalent a year ago. The character and moral fiber of the players is a pleasure to work with. All the coaches share in that attitude as well."

Two important team strengths are the running back position in offense and the defensive back position in defense.

Weaknesses include the lack of experience made by the freshmen that will result in mistakes during the season.

This year the team has set up a list of goals. First, education, second; all players above a 2.0 grade point average, third; a .500 record, fourth; to be one of the top four teams in the conference playoffs and

fifth, a realistic football program.

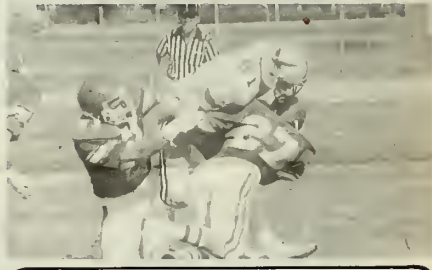
The Wolves play all home games at Memorial Stadium. Playoff winners attend the Lake Cola Bowl and also the Midwest Bowl.

Coach Horne coached two football camps for high school players this summer. The first was held at the University of Illinois football camp from June 20 through 23 on the university campus. The camp was designed for freshmen through senior high school youth. Although working with quarterbacks and receivers has been Coach Horne's forte, it gave him an opportunity to look at 100-170 high school recruits.

Horne, who joined the JJC staff last year as director of student development and athletics, coached a football camp sponsored by Bolingbrook High School from July 13 to 17.

"I worked with quality athletes from Lemont, Morris, and Bolingbrook High School and improved their football skills."

Coach Horne and the JJC Wolves are wished much success as the season begins.



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Facing arrest, Gillespie found

By: Ed Wisniewski

Joliet Junior College trustee Rosalyn Gillespie turned herself in and paid \$300 in bail on Oct. 29 after Judge Robert Bucher revoked her bond and issued a warrant for her arrest on Oct. 21. Gillespie who was elected college trustee in 1983 was charged with bribery and conspiracy in Dec. 1986.

Since last December, Gillespie has been in and out of court 12 times and has had the trial continued on five separate occasions. Four of those requests were made by defense while the other was made at the request of the state.

The arrest warrants were issued on Oct. 21 when Gillespie's lawyer Isaiah Gant tried to contact her at the Will county court house. He received a recorded message Gillespie had left for him and she did not appear at her court appearance.

Gant said that he had talked to Gillespie on Sunday Oct. 18 and told her that she would have to be in court by 9:30 a.m. Oct. 21 to respond to a state motion to revoke her bond for leaving the state without court permission.

Gillespie was out of police custody on a signature bond following her arrest in December for bribery. The bond does not require any payment of cash; however her bond is restricted to the state of Illinois and she can not leave the state without court permission.

Earlier in October Gillespie traveled to Orlando, Fla., with other trustees from the college for the American Community College Trustees meeting. Assistant State's Attorney Stephen D. White said that there was nothing in the court record to show that she had permission to leave the state.

Gillespie is alleged to have paid \$400 toward a bribe of \$1000 to get Samuel Jones a transfer to a better position or a promotion at the Illinois Youth Center. If convicted Gillespie will lose her seat on the college board of trustees and face a possible sentence of 1 - 7 years in prison.

**Editors Note: All information for this story came from the Herald News.*



Rosalyn Gillespie is accused of bribery and has been in and out of court 12 times since she was arrested in December '86.

Auditions

By: Julie McKeand

Travel back to the days of the Renaissance England when roast venison and tankards of ale were served freely along with good song and entertainment. Joliet Junior College's Fine Art's Department is looking for a few good singers, dancers, jugglers, and jesters to transport audiences' back in time to the house of an ancient Lord.

Auditions for the 1987 Madrigal singers and performers will be held Nov. 3-4 from 7-8 p.m. in the choir room K-1003. Everyone is invited to come and audition. For more information contact the Fine Arts department at 729-9020, ext. 223.

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World Food Day

The education gained through the third annual World Food Day, held on Oct. 16, helped others better understand world hunger.

The discussions held by national and local panels discussed problems in the governmental and agricultural sectors and food security (the right to food).

The World Food Day teleconference had a fair turnout at Joliet Junior College with approximately 100 students in attendance. Although the auditorium was not filled, J.Q. Adams felt the students asked outstanding questions and he was impressed with their knowledge.

The highlight of JJC's World Food Day was asking a question, for the first time in three years, to the national panel. The question asked was, "How can developed nations impact changing the internal structures of underdeveloped nations where hunger is prevalent so that reforms are speedy without causing revolutions?" Although the question could not be clearly heard by all, Adams replied, "I could definitely see our name on the screen and that was a reaffirmation that the open meeting does work."

This was also the first year that JJC used its own equipment for the teleconference. Co-ordinators were pleased to see that the satellite dish functioned just as well as the rented one in the past.

In compliance with World Food Day the Culinary Arts Department set up a donation fund for the area needy. FLIC also participated and set up food donation barrels for the area needy.

Livestock also wins

By: Amy Junkins

The 1987 Joliet Junior College Livestock Judging Team began its second season at the National Barrow Contest in Austin, Minnesota. Coach Jerry Cassidy says that "competition was unusually strong this year" as 22 teams from seven states participated in the contest.

Sophomore Mark Austin of Odell enjoyed individual success under the direction of Cassidy by finishing thirteenth overall, along with Carl Zimmerman of

Earlville, who placed among the top 25. Mike Hackbath of Milledgeville and Kathy Lorenz also competed, helping the team finish tenth overall in the Junior College Division.

Other events the team competed at include the National Cattle Congress in Waterloo, Iowa, and the Mid-Continent Livestock Exposition in Cambridge, Ill. The Livestock Judging Team is now preparing for the next up-coming events, traveling to Kansas City on Nov. 15 and then to Louisville on Nov. 18.

Speech team wins big

By: Jesus Ceblanon

The JJC Speech Team, coached by Ed Sutter, competed in its latest tournament on Oct. 2-3 at South Eastern University in Harrisburg.

"The team placed fourth overall in a field of 10 schools and was awarded 10 trophies," said Sutter.

Scott McClanahan placed first in informative speaking, sixth in impromptu, and second in duet interpretation along with his partner, Nancy Chase. Teammate Curtis Garret placed third in Dramatic interpretation, fourth in oral interpretation, and a sixth in prose interpretation, while Ed Wisniewski placed third in impromptu speaking, third in prose and fourth in poetry interpretation.

In an earlier tournament held at Illinois State University in Bloomington, the speech team placed second among community colleges and sixth overall out of 32 colleges and Universities. Recipients of trophies in this competition were Ed Wisniewski who received a second place in impromptu speaking and Curtis Garret who also received a second place trophy in dramatic interpretation.

"The team expects to do even better at their next tournament at Richland Community College in Decatur, we have some revenge to inflict of Shawnee College who just beat us out of a team trophy at South Eastern," says Sutter.



Wizo's Wisdom

By: Ed Wisniewski

The **BLAZER** office has been a very difficult place to work in since the last issue. Angry students and administrators have expressed some disappointment with my last editorial about student government elections. In a nut shell, the editorial said that the election, while run fairly, still had problems with electioneering and screwy vote getting.

For those of you expecting me to recant what I said, I'm sorry to disappoint you. I stand by what I said, but I believe that some explanations are in order.

While Joliet Junior College has had a checkered past with recent elections, other colleges have had even worse luck. According to figures provided to me by the dean of students at JJC, College of DuPage had only one candidate run for student trustee and only 75 people voted in the election. This is ironic considering that the College of DuPage has three times more students than we do.

Other disasters also abound with Moraine Valley College only having one candidate run for student trustee and he ran with on a Communist Party platform. University of Illinois Chicago had its student government president resign because she was threatened with impeachment. She was accused of stuffing ballot boxes in order to have more of her friends involved in student government.

This means that JJC is not the only school with election woes, and while the vote was called into question the complaint was one of principle rather than illegal voting procedure.

One student shouted at me that the type of vote getting during the SGA election four weeks ago was the American way. In my experience as a professional reporter I have never seen what happened during the JJC elections at state or municipal elections in my home town. The American way is following the rules and being fair to everyone.

The problems of the last election were due to the failing of our old SGA constitution. With the new constitution that SGA is proposing, most of the problems might be solved. The only other suggestion I can make is that if you wish to be a write-in candidate for an SGA election you must have twice as many signatures than the regular candidates on a legitimate petition turned into the Student Affairs office the night before the polls open in order for votes in their favor to count. This will prevent cranks or jokers from making it into SGA. It will also reduce some of the accusations made during the last election.

If I have offended anyone I'm sorry, but I believe that I am right when I say that election process has to be changed just a little bit in order to make the elections even more fair and impartial. The current members of SGA are in my opinion the brightest and best senators in my stay at JJC.

It could have been just the opposite.

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Weekly Report To Illinois

Senator Alan J. Dixon

Recently I introduced a joint resolution declaring the week of November 8th through the 14th as National Food Bank Week.

Hunger and homelessness are a national disgrace, and the problem is not diminishing. The latest studies confirm that more than 20 million Americans, including four million children, go hungry at some time during every month. Despite signs of an improving economy, the problem continues to grow. It's a terrible fact, but for millions of Americans, hunger is a tragic fact of life.

One out of every five children lives in poverty, and is at risk of being hungry or malnourished. Between 1983-1985 the average number of households seeking emergency food rose by almost 40 percent. However, federal food programs under the Reagan Administration have been cut by more than \$12 billion. The Administration's response to this chronic problem has been to cut the budget and eliminate vital programs, which help place food on the table and a roof over the heads of the needy.

In Illinois alone, requests for hunger assistance have increased tremendously. For example, since 1982 food pantries in the City of Rockford have experienced an increase in demand for client services of over 470 percent. In September of 1986, one food pantry in Springfield served 286 meals. In September of 1987, this same food pantry served 615 meals.

The Federal Government must take an active role in fighting hunger and homelessness. The Federal Government, however, should not be the only participant, and indeed, it is not. Those involved in the nation's food bank network, as

well as the thousands of charities, pantries, soup kitchens and shelters, have done an outstanding job.

Today there is a national network of food banks, spearheaded by an outstanding organization known as Second Harvest. Second Harvest is a Chicago-based non-profit organization committed to bringing food to the hungry—food which would otherwise go to waste. During 1986 more than 265 national companies contributed 128.5 million pounds of nutritious food to Second Harvest. In addition, the 203 food banks of Second Harvest's network collected 224 million pounds of food from local manufacturers, supermarket chains and canned food drives. The Second Harvest national food bank network reached more than 38,000 outreach programs serving the hungry in their communities.

I commend the work of all these compassionate people, and the groups and agencies which they represent. National food bank week will increase the public's awareness of the serious problem posed by hunger in America. In addition, it pays tribute to the thousands of dedicated individuals whose tireless work contributes so much to the eventual eradication of this terrible problem.

The sad fact is that we had this problem declared once. As a nation, Americans first became aware that many of our citizens were hungry and malnourished when thousands of men were rejected for service on those grounds during World War II. Programs were put in place which worked to virtually eliminate hunger and malnutrition across our bountiful land. We did the job then. We can do it again—now.

I hope that adverse reactions to the editorial do not cause any of that courage to diminish. Adversity can get really difficult—how easy it is to give up or retreat. If your "facts" are incorrect, they should be corrected, but don't apologize for your opinion or the way you see things.

Thanks for speaking up; so many people say nothing at all.

Judy Belfield



I don't know if all your "facts" are correct or not (i.e., if Dean Pillard left at noon; if the election was held in the Student Affairs Office because somebody was lazy), but it took courage to run that editorial and I commend you for it.





In the Out Door

with Ray Kochevar

Remember back a few weeks ago when those wonderful people from the blood bank were here? I wanted so much to ask one of them what exactly the rate of interest was on blood? Anyway, when Ed asked me if I was going to donate some blood I reluctantly said okay. So after using every excuse in the book to get out of it, we walked down to the bridge where the blood drive was held. I was about to do a great thing.

"Great," I said. "This thing is gonna hurt."

Ed held my hand on the way down there, not because he's weird, but because I kept trying to run away. I wanted to do this so I kept on going.

I first filled out a sheet with all sorts of vital information on it like age, name, sex and address. Then I was moved to another table where a woman asked me all sorts of questions about herpes, aids, syphilis and warts. (At least I think she said warts.) The neat part is that she did all that without once looking at the piece of paper in front of her. I had to look behind myself at the point she was staring at just to see if someone was holding up a giant cue card. There wasn't.

Next she took my temperature (with a disposable thermometer!), blood pressure and pulse. She tiredly told me what they were, as if I really cared if my temperature was a bit low. I mumbled something about poor heating in my last class. Then she pricked my middle finger (yes, that one) to collect a little blood. I think she was searching for warts!

As she pointed me towards another nurse, the room darkened. Spooky! That nurse had a huge needle in her hand. So I jokingly asked her to change the oil and look under the hood. She retorted with some whimsical comment about a dipstick and proceeded to poke my arm with the needle.

I figure it is the second or two of slight pokes that scares everyone away. The rest is not really that bad unless you are one of those people who like to pass out or see little green men running all over the bridge. Or maybe you would see the lagoon rise and King Neptune tossing spears at the Fitness Center (he likes well developed meat).

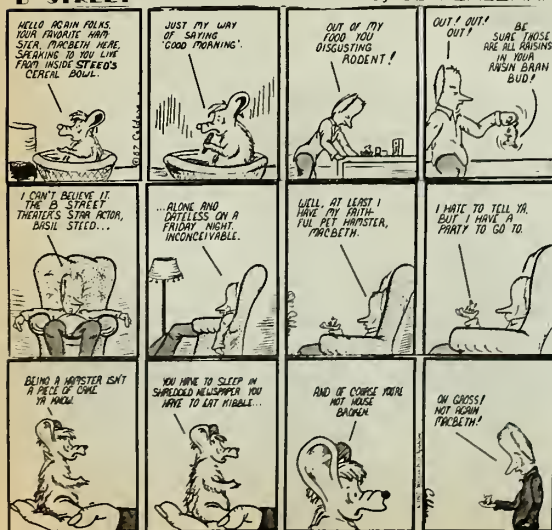
I saw none of that (well not much anyway!) Afterwards they even treated me to orange juice and cookies.

The only thing that spooks me is that when I finally was finished, I found a strange question floating around inside my mind. We know that Mickey was a mouse and Donald is a duck, but what the heck is Goofy?

Don't forget, less than 51 shopping days until Christmas! The only gift I want most I've never been able to find. Can anyone deliver Peace on Earth?

B STREET

by JON CALDARA



NOVEMBER

By: Julie McKeand

ATTENTION STUDENTS: Anyone who has had belongings removed from a campus locker because the locker was not rented through Student Affairs, has until Dec. 1 to claim these belongings. You must come to the Student Affairs Office, H1001, and clearly identify your belongings. After Dec. 11, unclaimed items will no longer be the responsibility of this office.

SKI TRIP: JJC Ski Club will sponsor a ski trip to Telluride, CO, Jan. 2-8, 1988. 729-9020, Ext. 352.

"CANDLELIGHT DINNERS": Served most Thursday and Friday evenings at the Louis Joliet Renaissance Center. 727-6544.

LAURA A. SPRAGUE ART GALLERY: Kankakee Community Arts Students Exhibition. Nov. 2-20.

WATERCOLOR ARTIST CAROLIE MYERS: Will present a workshop Nov. 3-6, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. as a part of a guest artist series sponsored by the Joliet Junior College Fine Arts Department. 729-9020, Ext. 352.

POLITICAL COLUMNIST TOM WICKER: Columnist for the *New York Times* and TV commentator for ABC News, will be a keynote speaker at the 13th Annual Chicago Communications Luncheon, Nov. 4 at 12:15 p.m. at the CIBC Marriott Hotel. 663-1600, Ext. 423.

"DANCE COLUMBIA TWO—CHICAGO AT ITS BEST": Fall season at the Dance Center of Columbia, Nov. 6, 7, 13, and 14. (312) 271-7928.

"CELEBRATE THE ARTS": Will be the original and memorable music of pianist Jim Chappell, Nov. 6, at 7:30 p.m. in the Tower Music Hall at the College of Saint Francis. 740-3380.

The Heiress inherits success

By: Julie McKeand



Today's woman is a woman of the 80's. No longer is the business world limited to men in linen suits and pinstripes or the medical field geared to older doctors with polished professionalism and rimmed glasses. It's a proven fact that today more women are opening the doors that once were closed and walking through with great sophistication and confidence. However, this wasn't always the case.

In 1850 women were often at men's mercy for their social position and support. In the production of *The Heiress*, to be presented by the Fine Arts Department, Nov. 19 - 21 in the theatre, the journey of one woman's transformation from dependence to independence, is told against the unwillingness and betrayal by those she loves.

The Heiress, written by Ruth and Augustus Goetz and directed by Dr. Rosaline Stone, portrays the design talents of students Tom Thompson of Frankfurt on scenery and Michael Kennedy of Joliet on lighting. Design consultants consists of JJC staff members Monica Duran of Joliet and Bob Loscaldo of Monee. Supervising will be by Nicki Todorovich, the theatre's technical director.

Cast members include Lisa Boron as Mrs. Montgomery; Marie Cheslure as Catherine, the heiress; Jennifer Cook as Marian; Winifer Hurt as Mrs. Almond; Heather Imrie as Maria; and Scott McClanahan as Arthur. Additional members include Nancy Chase as Aunt Penniman; Brendan Paredes as Dr. Sloper; and Pete Bohler as Morris.

The box office will be open Nov. 9. Reservations may be made by calling 729-9020, Ext. 223. Admission is \$2 for adults, \$1 for area high school students, and students with JJC identification are admitted free.

So next time you're wheeled into the operating room or walk into a company empire, look twice, it might just be a woman.

Sports News

By: Elaine Paszyna

The Fitness Forum in Lockport and the staff at Silver Cross Hospital are running three programs for the public.

The first, Stress Management, begins Friday November 6. The second, Weight Management—What's New/What's Not, starts Friday January 15, 1988. The third, Cardiovascular Fitness opens on Friday February 19, 1988.

All three start at 6:30 p.m., require an RSVP, and a \$5 fee for each program. The Fitness Forum is located at 2201 Lawrence Avenue in Lockport. Anyone with specific questions or who needs more information can call 838-3621.

In tennis news, the 1987 - 88 *STRINGER'S DIGEST* is now available from the United States Racquet Stringers Association.

The 128-page *DIGEST* is the only comprehensive stringing manual in existence, containing a how-to guide of stringing techniques, information on strings, stringing machines, tools of the trade, business tips and more. It also includes manufacturers' instructions for string length, recommended tension, string pattern and tie-off for every ten-

nis, racquet ball, badminton and squash racquet on the United States market today.

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For more information contact the USRSA, P.O. Box 40, El Mar, CA 92014 or call 619-481-3545.

Finally, here at Joliet Junior College, the Ski Club is sponsoring a trip to Rocky Mountain in Telluride Colorado.

The club will be departing from Midway Airport on January 2. After the trip, the club will arrive at O'Hare Airport on January 8. Six nights of lodging and four days of skiing are included in this trip. The total cost is \$415.

Anyone who is interested in signing up or who would like more information should see John Hirmor, the JJC Ski Club Sponsor in room E2011 or call the college at 729-9020; extension 221. You do not have to be a member of the Ski Club to attend.

Volleyball enters sectionals

By: David Mann

The Joliet Junior College volleyball team will take a record of 13 wins, eight losses and six ties into this weekend's sectional.

The sectional will start at 4 p.m. Friday, with number one seeded DuPage taking on fourth seeded Joliet. This game will be followed by JJC, seeded second, taking on third seeded Waubesa, with the winners then playing for the championship.

Coach Christine Beltzhoover said, "Right now we are playing very tentatively, we're not playing up to our full potential."

This could be seen as JJC lost to Triton 0-15, 11-15, 16-14, 15-13, 3-15. The next night the Wolves took on Kankakee, ranked 20th in the nation, and lost 14-16, 6-15, 3-15.

The team had a change of scenery as they traveled to St. Louis Community College to participate in a tournament. The girls came out of the tournament with a record of 1 win, 2 losses, and 2 ties.

Wolves suffer setback

By: Carl Ackerman

Joliet Junior College Wolves' football coach Tom Horne and his pack have encountered some fierce competitors recently resulting in two consecutive setbacks.

The first was against Illinois Valley, a 31-21 loss, in which the Wolves made a strong comeback attempt.

After Illinois Valley made the score 10-9 just before halftime, they added 22 unanswered points in the second half to take a 32-9 lead. However, the Apaches weren't out of the woods yet as the Wolves came charging.

JJC Quarterback Jim Burzinski, play-

ing in the tournament, JJC defeated Granite City 15-1, 15-1 to gain the victory. The Wolves then split with Meramac 15-11, 10-15 and Belleville, ranked second in the nation, 5-15, 15-11. The next two matches were played against Vincennes Community College. The Wolves were defeated in both matches, the first score being 11-15, 4-15, and the second going 5-15, 6-15.

The team came back from St. Louis and took on a tough Illinois Valley team. JJC lost the match 7-15, 11-15, 15-7, 12-15, but Beltzhoover stated that Katie Flanagan had an "excellent game" with 11 service points while Erin Munley contributed 10.

The Wolves bounced back from the loss at Illinois Valley to defeat Lake County.

Coach Beltzhoover said, "Right now Kim Orscoe is showing leadership and holding the team together." She also added that "with only one sophomore, the lack of experience is now showing. Some of the freshmen must come to the forefront and show some leadership."

ing with injured ribs, passed to Kevin Bellis for a 7 yard touchdown.

A few minutes later JJC recovered an onside kick which set up a 55 yard TD pass from Burzinski to Craig Nuncio making the score 32-21.

From then on JJC had many chances to score, but failed to succeed. Burzinski had five interceptions on the day, and there was one fumble which resulted in a safety for Illinois Valley.

One week later JJC traveled to Harper to play the number one ranked team in the country. According to Horne, "They came to play, and we didn't. We didn't even come close to our playing potential." The result was a 29-0 setback.

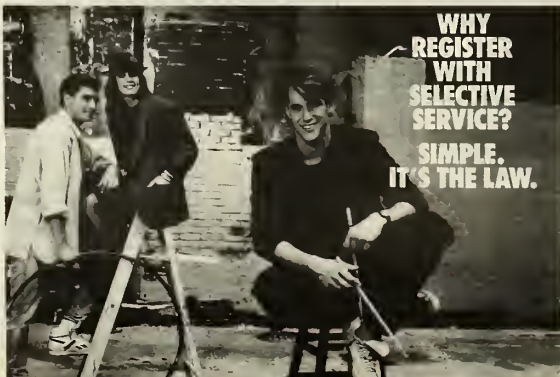
The Wolves appeared lost in the final half rushing for just 13 yards, passing for only 11 yards and gaining no first downs. In the half JJC was forced to punt an embarrassing nine times.

Dan Cave was JJC's leading rusher with 39 yards. Burzinski connected on only 8 of 28 pass attempts for 67 yards along with three interceptions.

The two losses drop the Wolves to 3-5 overall with one regular season game left.



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Livestock wins again!

By: Amy Junkins

The Joliet Junior College Livestock Judging Team travelled to Cambridge, IL last Oct. 3 for the 1987 Mid-Continent Livestock Exposition, repeating success as the freshman team placed 4th overall and the sophomore team placed 7th overall.

Individual success were earned by freshman Dawn Cyrier of St. Anne, who finished in 10th place, and Kathy Lorenz of Grant Park, who placed 13th. Others who placed among the top twenty include Randy Segebruch from Morris and Jody Osmond from Seneca.

In the sophomore division, Sean Jorland of Leland and Mike Hackbarth tied for 20th overall. Competition for both freshman and sophomore divisions included 15 community colleges from six



surrounding states.

On Oct. 17, the team travelled to Michigan State University for the Invitational Livestock Judging Contest, placing 1st overall in the Junior College Division. In the overall division, JJC finished as 3rd place team.

Competition included many four-year institutions as well as community colleges. "This is an excellent finish for

JJC," says Coach Jerry Cassidy.

The team also participated in the "Sakaki Invitational" at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, IL, on Oct. 24. In the sheep division, the team placed 3rd; in the cattle division, 5th; and in the swine division, 4th. Mark Austin of Odell enjoyed individual success by placing 3rd. The JJC team finished as 5th place team overall.

Time to register for spring

Joliet Junior College is taking registrations for classes for the Spring 1988 semester, beginning January 11 and running through May 13.

Beginning with this academic year, all new full-time students and students with 12 or more credit hours must complete the ASSET skills test before registering for classes. The test is required of students enrolling in English 101 (Rhetoric), Mathematics 100, or higher-level courses in those areas.

Part-time students who plan to complete a college degree or certificate should also take the test, which may be completed in approximately 90 minutes. The ASSET test is given during the week and on Saturday mornings at the Academic Skills Center on the Main Campus.

A schedule of classes will be mailed to homes throughout the college district in mid-November. Class schedules are available at JJC's four main instructional sites and can be mailed to those calling the JJC Information Line, (815)

744-JJC1.

Part-time students and persons who have taken the ASSET test may register by telephone from 8 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Monday through Thursday and from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Friday.

To register, call 744-2200 from Joliet, 942-4580 from Morris, (815) 838-2174 from the Bolingbrook/Lemont area, or dial "Operator" and ask for Enterprise 9020 from Dwight, Pontiac, Odell, Pontiac, Braidwood, Wilmington and

Mokena.

Registrations will also be accepted in person at the Office of Registration, Room J-1009, at the Main Campus, from 8 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Monday through Thursday and from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Friday.

The tuition and fees for college-level classes are \$23 per credit hour for persons living in the college district. A \$10 registration fee is charged once each semester.

JJC class helps you pass that tough math course

By: Melynda Findlay

DO YOU HAVE TROUBLE ADDING $2 + 2$ WITHOUT having to use a calculator? If so, "Bridging the Math Gap," a non-credit course at Joliet Junior College, may be for you.

The course is being taught by Linda Padilla and Rich Meyers, math instructors at JJC.

The six week class is designed to help students overcome the perception that math is their enemy.

The course was first offered two summers ago for students making the transition between Intermediate Algebra and College Algebra.

"Each year, instructors in the Mathematics Department have noticed that some students have an extraordinary amount of difficulty in adjusting to college-level algebra," Meyers said. "It is understandable, since there is a significant difference in the pace of the class, in the level of abstraction, and in the difficulty of the material covered."

The program is basically divided into three parts. The first part is spent defining math anxiety and learning how to cope with it. The second part is spent learning study skills for mathematics and working on different types of problems in small groups. The last part of the course covers approaches to solving specific types of problems, for example: fractions, polynomials, word problems and decimals.

Students' response to the program has been positive so far. It remains interesting because the course is not just lecture and problems. "We try to use any other modes of teaching other than lecture—filmslips, small group discussion, etc.," Padilla said.

The course began on October 29, and will continue to meet Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5-7.

To register, students should ask for course UNCL 1036, section 30. The course costs \$40.

Students may register toll-free by telephone using one of the following numbers: 744-2200 from the Joliet area; 942-4580 from the Morris area; (815) 838-2174 from Lemont or Bolingbrook, or Enterprise 9020 from any other community in the college district.

SGA has controversial month

By: Laurie Howard

Controversy has surrounded the Student Government meetings in the past few weeks concerning the new SGA Constitution, new clubs, and absence.

On the Oct. 28th meeting, Craig Farrell, member of the association of criminal justice, moved that the organization delay the SGA Constitution for four meetings in order to allow members to meet with their clubs for preparation. The motion was carried, though the people who wrote the constitution appeared to take it personally.

Two new clubs were proposed for admission into SGA membership at the Oct. 21st meeting. The motion to admit the Biology Club was passed easily. On the other hand, although to motion passed, the creation of the parapsychology club was met by a heat of discussion.

At the Nov. 4th meeting, they discussed absence at the meetings. It was moved that Senators and Officers cannot fail in for an absent representative. David Borenman, treasurer and representing automotive's club, threatened to resign over this motion.

"I'm the only one who can come to the next meeting because the entire automotive club will be in class. If I cannot come to the next meeting, I will walk out right now," said Borenman.

The motion was finally carried that a senator and officer can fail in for a club member. Borenman however has not resigned.

Drug abuse teleconference

By: Carl Ackerman

A panel discussion of professional athletes, coaches, and sports medicine physicians concerning substance abuse prevention will be telecast from 6:30-9:30 tonight, at Joliet Junior College, in room D-2001.

Guests scheduled to participate on the panel include: Mike Ditka, Tom LaSorda, Harold Baines, Kirby Puckett, Joey Meyer, Ray Meyer, Jim McMahon, Dave Duerson and Gayle Sayers.

This live national video teleconference entitled, "Play for Today, Win for Tomorrow" will be hosted by ABC sportscaster Mike Adamle.

The audience is urged to call in, join the discussion and talk to the others across the country. There will be a question-answer forum afterwards for the audience.

This satellite broadcast, produced by Triton College in River Grove and Danco II, will air to over 100 cities across the country.

The public is invited to this free program. Refreshments will be served during the night.

A tentative guest at JJC is Tom Thayer of the Chicago Bears.

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Wizo's Wisdom

By: Ed Wisniewski

Right now as I'm writing this I am at the base to the war memorial that my home town has put up to honor Vietnam veterans. A new flag pole has been put up beside the monument and it flies the American flag and the POW-MIA flag. The purple flowers planted at the base of the monument have long since died and so has a piece of my soul.

When I was a young brat in junior high, I didn't understand what the consequences of war were. My grandfathers best friend fought with Patton in Europe. While he never saw combat action (he was a supply clerk) he always told horror stories of weeks of rain, mud and bitter cold.

I thought he was kidding.

My grandmother on my father's side of the family remarried about 20 years ago. He was a combat vet from Korea. Today he is dying of a bad heart and liver problems caused by bouts with alcoholism. He would also tell stories of running from an enemy that he couldn't see in bitter cold. The cold doesn't bother him any more now that he lives in Florida and he has quit drinking so there might be hope.

I reached high school and joined R.O.T.C. I was called every thing from a hider youth to a Rat On Toasted Cheeze. I also met more veterans. One was a Sgt. Maj. David Ogle, a thirty year Marine who fought as a private in Korea and Gunner Sergeant in Vietnam.

He wouldn't talk about what he did, but whenever the topic of Korea came up in class a fire would light up in his eyes. Under the professional salty-dog image of the career Marine, students could tell that when he spoke of Changjin Reservoir, he shivered in the cold and fought the Chinese with his bare hands like the history books say.

Lt. Col. Richard Widner was my other instructor. He was a company commander in Vietnam. He was more open about his experiences. As a senior, he told my class that a sense of humor was always important in battle.

One day his company about 10 kilometers from the DMZ in Vietnam came across a mine field. They found it when the company first sergeant stepped on a mine which blew him clean into the air where he proceeded to do a summersault and he landed on his feet without a scratch. This struck him and the rest of the unit as too funny that they laughed for a good ten minutes. He later told us that same man was killed in a rocket attack three months later when he left the country.

Like most teen-agers, I was reluctant to believe these war stories. However, when I saw an old photo of Sgt. Maj. holding a Chinese machine gun over his head that dated around 1950 and the name of that first sergeant that Lt. Col. Widner mentioned on the wall in Washington D.C.

Since that time I have met a great deal of Vets from many wars and police actions throughout the years. One is a guilty ex-Marine from Beirut who saw 253 of his comrades die at the hands of a crazed terrorist group, the other just happens to be the ad-manager for this paper who served on an aircraft carrier in the Mediterranean. All I would like to call my friends.

We remember the wars and battles, but we often forget the people who have to fight them. I did when I left school before vacation not saying thank-you to the vet's I know for the sacrifices that they have made in the military for me. That part of me that died was that belief that wars can be noble and just. I know better now because talking with the vet's they have shown me the truth.

So now as I sit here at my word processor finishing a column I started writing at an empty war memorial on Veterans Day, I ask you for a moment of your time to think about those people who gave time, effort, sweat, tears, and even blood in service to their country.

That might be all the consideration those vet's might get this year for Veterans Day.

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Dear Ed:

The Office of Minority and Intercultural Affairs appreciates your excellent article in the October 20 edition by Alice Riosoco on the World Food Day events this year. The comprehensive reporting of the event and its results hopefully is a step forward to increase the awareness of our faculty and students of the importance of the hunger issue.

We look forward to working with the Blazer and your staff in the future.

Sincerely,

J.Q. Adams

Director

Minority and Intercultural Affairs

To The Editor:

I've made a deal with the Devil! (The Media) He said that his control was so great that I couldn't overcome it, but that he'd put me to the test if I wanted it. He said that if I could get all females in America to throw down all their pants and come out with their hands up by Thanksgiving, he'd have all nations (medians) throw down all their weapons (dogs) for good by Christmas.

But I believe that the forces of good are greater than those of evil. Does this community agree? If so, does the 1611 King James Bible say so? And if not, can you reason out why evil exists as a challenge to good? To help, consider that if reincarnation isn't true, it wouldn't matter about evil if we had only one life. But eternal life "is" the Bible.

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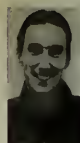
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In the Out Door

with Ray Kochevar

The pressure here in the office has been incredible. If I don't come up with anything funny they said they'll take me off of the page with the comics. Believe me, it's tough sometimes to keep up with "B Street." I've even taken to sneaking looks into the funny file to see what I'm up against. I've had a couple of tough issues because they changed the combination on me.

Now that I've bought myself a pair of lock cutters, we can get the hall rolling again. We'll start with something easy like questions people never got around to asking.

If you wear boat shoes, does that mean you can walk on water? I don't own a pair so could someone tell me. Would the bridge really be necessary then, except to play cards. Speaking of cards, I thought you only sent them to people, not played them. (the cards that I was) What about all of those books with the "used" stickers on them? Did students really use them or did they just buy them to make their desks look neat? Come on teachers, what do you think?

"...get rid of some of these Mickey Mouse courses..."

Since registration has started I thought I should remind some of you people to get rid of some of those Mickey Mouse courses before you transfer, like the Introduction to Amusement Parks 101 (I hear the labs are really fun), Accelerated Animation (if you don't quit up!) and of course Yodeling (so you can whistle while you work). Growl!

I've been working on practical jokes this past month by telling someone to jump into an outdoor pool in October. Cold, wasn't it? He would have chafed me around if he could have made his teeth stop chattering.

I'm still waiting for the group U2 to tell Chicago that they can have the name of one of their albums: "The Unforgettable Fire." How about our at one time presidential candidate singing "Owner of a Lonely Hart." Or Richard Pryor doing "I'm On Fire?" Maybe David Copperfield with his rendition of "Every Little Thing She Does Is Magic?" This is too easy!

If little kids want to grow up to be firemen, what did firemen want to be when they were kids? Sewerworkers?

What is a flashlight? Unless you flash it, it stays on.

Looking for something neat for your girlfriend, guys? Go out and buy them some lingerie. Go by yourself because it's always funny to see the ladies in that department look at you with that sideways glance! Sorry ladies, but mens briefs just don't seem much fun to shop for (in my opinion anyway).

We should start a Be Nice To Your Lawyer Day. Go out and sue someone. Remember, it's not whether you win or lose, but how big the settlement is.

I've closed my last few columns with Christmas stuff, so here is another one. I keep asking people what they want from Santa, but they keep saying that they want EVERYTHING. Well that's alright, but where would you put it?

NOVEMBER

By: Julie McKeand

ATTENTION STUDENTS: Any one who has had belongings removed from a locker because it was not rented through the Student Affairs Office has until Dec. 11 to claim these belongings. Any items remaining unclaimed after Dec. 11 will no longer be the responsibility of this office. Students must clarify their belongings at the Student Affairs, H1001.

APPLES, APPLES, APPLES: The Agriculture Department has completed their harvest of the apple orchard. Faculty and staff are welcome to the delicious apples. Contact Paul Brinkman for further information.

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THE HIFRESS: Presented by the Fine Arts Department, Nov. 19-21 at 8 p.m. on the main campus. Ticket information 729-9020, Ext. 352.

FAMOUS PEOPLE PLAYERS: A LITTLE LIKE MAGIC: Puppets that create a magical touch. Nov. 20, at 8 p.m. at Paramount Arts Centre. Box Office (312) 896-6666 or Group Sales (312) 896-7676.

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"TIE RIVER NIGER": Opens Nov. 22 Dec. 6 at Columbia College. Emma and Oscar Getz Theatre. (312) 673-9465

THE CHAMBER MUSIC SERIES: The Rialto Square Theatre presents Carol Winnice, flute, and Heidi Lehwald on harp, Nov. 22 at 3 p.m. 726-7171.

TURKEY TIME: Thanksgiving Break Nov. 25-28. JIC will be closed.

FEED THE ANIMALS: Thanksgiving Day at Brookfield Zoo. (312) 485-0263.

LE TROUPE CIRCUS: Nov. 29 at 1 and 4 p.m. at Centre East. Enjoy acrobatics, juggling, and mime. 673-1605.

LARA A SPRAGUE ART GALLERY: Presents "Illusions Family" by Rlanda McKinney. Dec. 1-18. 729-9020, Ext. 423 or 223.

MADRIDIAN DINNER: Dec. 4, at JIC Reception 6:30 p.m., dinner at 7:00 p.m. For reservations call the Fine Arts Department, 729-9020, Ext. 223.

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THE NUTCRACKER: A holiday classic. Dec. 13 at 1 and 7 p.m. at Centre East 673-6305.

SKI TRIP: JIC Ski Club is planning a ski trip to Telluride, Colorado, Jan. 2-8, 1988. Contact John Hirmer at 729-9020, Ext. 221.

Arsenic and Old Lace: A classic

By: Laure Pluchnik

Is Arsenic and Old Lace a classic or dated comedy? When I questioned people on and off campus there was a split decision. The key, I believe lies in how the major character, Mortimer Brewster, interacts with the other characters. Personally, I found Mr. MacArthur's interpretation of Mortimer to be weak and stilted. The only salvation was found in the superb performance of the rest of the cast.

When I walked into the theatre, the last night of the performance I was not expecting a crowd. The only seats available were in the second balcony. At such a vantage point, Mr. Frid's expressions were all but lost.

The original stage production of Arsenic and Old Lace was in 1941. The style of that decade alone dates it today. In the original production Boris Karloff (George Pratt) portrayed Jonathan Brewster. This became the "in" joke throughout the nights performance. For those not familiar with the theatre, it was the only joke.

The set design was meticulous, pleasing to the eye and visible from all angles. The only odd point was a dining room chair on wheels. There was an energy emanating from the stage. The entire one-act play from professionals who enjoy their craft. If you were expecting Edith Bunker, Marion Cunningham, Corp. Agam, or Barnabas Collins, you were disappointed. These crafts people gave their all in the performance. They are responsible for the revival of such a classic.

Editors Note: Laure is our part-time theater critic, when she can find money for tickets.

E STREET

by JON CALDARA



Sports News

By: Elaine Paszyra

Welcome to our Thanksgiving issue of our newspaper. There are just a few topics that I would like to bring to your attention that I felt were worth mentioning.

First, all three of our fall sports here at Joliet Junior College have finished their seasons on a positive note. The coaches and players are to be commended for their worthwhile and productive accomplishments.

The JJC men's football team under the direction of Coach Tom Horne brought about a much stronger defense this year which seemed to give the Wolves an extra incentive in producing positive results.

After what seemed like the worst season a volleyball team could have last year, new coach Christine Belthoover, brought to the college something to really cheer for. The overall goal for the team was to shoot for a winning record and that is exactly what the Lady Wolves did.

Lastly, I have to really admire the women's tennis team. With only two girls on the team, they made what seemed to be the impossible, possible by playing in the N4C Tournament as well as the regional tournament. Even though the girls knew they could not win as a team, they set individual goals which helped them in gaining the success they deserved. Coach Sue Stephenson and players Michele Wills and Chris Cinkovich are to be congratulated.

Even though these three sports are over and done with, the Joliet Park District, located at 3000 West Jefferson Street in Joliet, is running a wide variety of sport programs for the winter and spring seasons for the 1987-88 year.

Some of these programs include badminton, rat hockey, men's and women's basketball, women's volleyball, co-ed volleyball, karate and beginning weightlifting. For more information regarding these sports programs, you can call the park district at 741-PARK.

In our next issue look for a preview on the men's and women's basketball teams as their season gets underway. Until next issue...

Volleyball finishes with winning record

By: David Mann

The Joliet Junior College women's volleyball team had their season end a little over a week ago during regional action at the College of DuPage.

JJC defeated Waubesa Valley 15-8, 15-8, 15-10, and then lost to the College of DuPage 15-11, 9-15, 15-6, 14-16, and 4-15 in sectional action. Since the top two teams advance to regionals, JJC still qualified.

The sectionals did not start out well for the Wolves, as they lost to Carl Sandburg 15-11, 15-10. JJC bounced back to defeat Highland Community College 15-6, 15-10 and then lost to Kankakee 15-3, 15-6 to end the season with a final record of 17-15-7.

Coach Belthoover said, "I'm happy with the season we had, we reached our goal of having a winning record."

Before the regionals started the Wolves

were involved in a triangular set with Kankakee and Illinois Valley.

JJC lost to a "big and strong" Kankakee team 15-4, 15-8. The Wolves then came back to defeat Illinois Valley Community College 15-5, 15-8.

The Wolves next traveled to Kishwaukee where, according to Belthoover, "we just didn't play well" and lost 10-15, 15-1, 11-15.

The next match for JJC was a triangular against Sauk Valley and Parkland Community College.

Against Sauk Valley, Belthoover stated that the girls had some "attitude problems" and lost 15-8, 7-15, 14-16. The girls then lost to Parkland 14-16 and 13-16.

Coach Belthoover said, "Next year we should have some taller girls and we'll be a heckuva lot better." She also added, "I'm looking forward to a better year next year."

Women's tennis played strong

By: Carl Ackerman

The Joliet Junior College women's tennis team recently completed its regular season, and performed in the N4C Tournament and the regional tournament.

In the N4C tournament at Triton, Chris Cinkovich and Michele Wills, lost their first rounds in singles to Harper. In doubles, they beat Thornton 6-2, 6-1, to advance to the semi-finals where Rock Valley beat them 6-3, 3-5, 2-6.

According to Coach Sue Stephenson, this conference is one of the toughest in the state. Two weeks later, the team then played in the Regional Tournament at Four Lakes Racquet Club in Lisle.

Cinkovich won her first round of singles over Thornton 6-1, 6-0, but lost in her second round to Triton of DuPage 2-6 and 2-6. Wills lost her first round to Harper 3-6 and 2-6.

In doubles, the girls beat College of Lake County 6-2, and 6-0. However, once again they were unable to advance past the semi-finals losing to Harper 0-6, and 4-6.

"We were well prepared and practiced a lot. We just didn't know what to expect in the tournament," said Stephenson.

Illinois Valley took both the N4C and Regional Tournaments. Cinkovich finished her regular season at 6-1 in first singles, Wills finished at 2-5 in second singles. In doubles, their record was 6-1.

"The girls have done exceptionally well all season," said Stephenson. "I didn't need to help them get going at all. They knew with only two players they could never win, yet they still played strong to improve their individual records."

FOOTBALL Falls Short

By: Carl Ackerman

The Joliet Junior College men's football team fell short of the playoffs once again, winding up with a 3-6 overall record.

Their last game was a 16-10 overtime loss to Triton. "It was a game we should have won, but it just wasn't meant to be," said Coach Tom Horne.

The Wolves seemed to have the game wrapped up leading 10-7 with 15 seconds left. However, Joliet fumbled the ball, Triton kicked a field goal, then scored the winning touchdown in overtime.

As for the season Horne said, "we are really happy and positive about our season but not our record. Our players' attitudes were excellent as well."

Horne believes the thing the team lacked of this season was maturity. Of more than 60 players, 40 were freshmen, and only 17 of them were starters.

However, "their ability progressed as time continued," said Horne.

Horne mentioned that the team's defense was the strong point. He gave credit to the defensive backs mostly who accounted for 35 interceptions. Horne added, "we can always be in the ballgame with good defense."

The teams' weaker areas include the offense's lack of consistency which had 34 turnovers.

According to Horne, his team has made "leaps and bounds" of improvement since last year. One reason is the players' character.

"They seem to develop a stronger desire to become better," Horne said. "Better recruiting of players has also helped improve the team."

Looking towards next year, Horne hopes to accomplish even better recruiting. Also, if all 40 freshmen return, the team will gain its lack of maturity.

Spare Bear Scab

By: Ed Wisniewski

Most men on a lazy Sunday afternoon have wondered what it would be like to play professional football. During the N.F.L. players strike that became a reality for Joliet Junior College Alumni John Arp.

Arp, who was an offensive tackle for JJC, was asked to become a scab for the Chicago Bears during the players strike and has a truck load of memories along with a newfound desire to play football. "Philadelphia was his worst. We had to be snuck into the stadium and we only played to a crowd of about 5,000 people so that was about the worst," he said.

Arp, before he played for the Spare Bears, was a house mover for Advanced Moving Contractors. His large six foot five inch frame donates a feeling of invincibility and awe to ordinary people.

"I wish I could have lined up against real people. When we played Minnesota I lined up against some strike breaking players and I wasn't too impressed with

them. Maybe Mike Ditka will call me back next year to mini-camp and I can play against real players like Hampton and Singletary."

Arp also said that Mike Ditka wasn't the scabbing bear that everyone thinks. According to Arp, Ditka worked hard with the players just like they were the regular union players. However, Iron Mike wasn't afraid to fool around.

"One night we were supposed to watch game films and instead we saw this crazy movie and Mike brought in drinks and snacks for us. So, he's not all football."

Arp played offensive tackle for JJC in 1984-1985. He then transferred to Lincoln University in Missouri where he suffered a leg injury that took him out of college football. Since that time he has worked as a house mover and now lives outside native Joliet in Wheaton.

"I enjoyed my chance even though there was a lot of pressure to win. If you were given a chance like this you can't afford to pass it up," said Arp.

a Job well done!



Now that the fall sports season is over the staff would like to thank those involved for a job well done.

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SGA deals with truant members

By: Laurie Howard

The Student Government Association took a strong stand on absenteeism at the Nov. 18 meeting by expelling two members for truancy.

Don Houston, representative, moved that Senators Dawn Fowler and Joy Tosone be dropped from their positions after missing three meetings unexcused. They were given a chance to petition the SGA to retain their rights as voting members, however Fowler and Tosone did not attend the meeting to defend their right to vote. By a unanimous vote by the SGA membership, Fowler and Tosone were expelled.

"I understand that one of them quit school, but they must inform me if they

want to resign from SGA so that we don't have to go through this procedure," said SGA Secretary Judy Belfield.

According to Belfield members of SGA are allowed only three unexcused absences then they are sent a notice that informs them they have one week to petition SGA to keep their positions as voting members. Fowler and Tosone were given two weeks to retain their voting rights.

"The constitution says that ejection is automatic after three, but it was only right that we bring this up before the entire SGA to approve the measure," said Belfield.

No word yet as to who will replace Fowler and Tosone on SGA.

In other news SGA is starting to

budget money for the various clubs around school for 1988. David Borman SGA Treasurer said that his finance committee would be as fair as possible, however some clubs did not turn in budgets.

"We can't budget money for an organization if we don't know what its needs are. We may have to assign money to those clubs on first come first serve basis after we have given money to the clubs that turned their budget in on time," said Borman.

Along with the actual responsibilities of finances the finance committee also distributed their guideline and bylaws to be reviewed by SGA. The members approved a measure to review these rules so that they agree with the proposed Con-

stitution. A committee was set up to handle the assignment of making these bylaws conform to the proposed SGA Constitution.

Committee members include: Lewis Bowman, F.L.C., Jerry Durris, Senator, Craig Ferrell, Vice President Education and Culture, Jeff Finch, Senator, Reid Hinch, President, Janice Johnson, Public Relations Officer, Judy Belfield, Secretary, Committee Chairman; and Patricia Shue, Phi Theta Kappa Ferrell, Finch, Bowman, and Johnson volunteered for membership to replace members of the committee who haven't returned to SGA this year.

Gingerbread joy this Christmas

By: Amy Jenkins

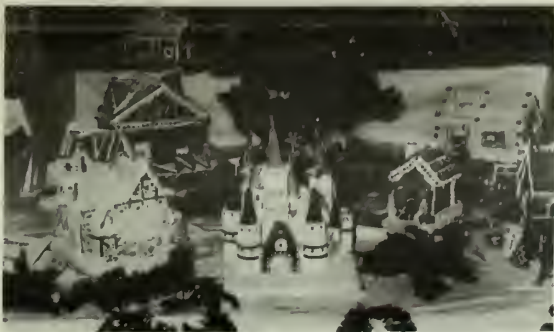
The making of ginger-bread houses has been a tradition of the culinary arts class for many years.

"It's a challenge for our sophomores," says Mr. Noe in Culinary Arts.

Elementary schools come from all around to see the ginger-bread houses. The sophomore instructors involved at JJC are Imming, McIand, and Marshall. The students use this opportunity to show artistic and construction talents.

Noe says, "This is one class where the students can produce something, have something to show for their hard work. That isn't quite the case with math or English classes. Preparing food is a personal thing, part of yourself is going into it. The person eating it can taste that."

Last year, the sophomore class earned the highest grades for their ginger-bread houses in some time. The Renaissance Center is participating again this year. Several of the houses here at JJC will be for sale.



As part of the holiday season, JJC culinary arts students display gingerbread houses.

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Speech team takes fifth

By: Jesus Ceballos

In a speech tournament held November 6 & 7 at Richland Community College, the Joliet Junior College speech team placed fifth overall winning their first sweepstakes for 1987-88 season. This is only the second sweepstakes trophy that the JJC speech team has ever won, the first was acquired in February when the team placed third in the State Tournament.

Individuals performing well for JJC include Ed Wisniewski, who took fifth

place trophies in poetry, impromptu speaking, and in speech to entertain. Curtis Garrett received a third place in Dramatic Interpretation while Scott McClanahan also placed third in Informative Speaking.

Ray Kochevar and Bob Walters placed fourth in Theatrical Criticism and Oral Interpretation respectively.

So far this year the JJC Speech team has won 20 trophies. Ed Sutter the speech team coach says he would like to break the team record of 22 trophies that was set last year.

However, the speech teams budget is exhausted and Mr. Sutter is hoping to secure additional funds from JJC which will enable the team to participate at the College of DuPage tournament in January, the State Tournament at Peoria in February and the Regional Tournament to be held in March at Freeport, Illinois.

"We're having a damn good year and JJC is starting to get a reputation around the Speech Circuit that is fairly impressive. I hope we can keep that up," says Sutter.



Wizo's Wisdom

By: Ed Wisniewski

I had the great pleasure over the Thanksgiving holiday weekend to work on Christmas telethon for needy. Some of you may have seen me perform on Channel 15. However, most of the time I spent working on that little media event that went to over 40,000 cable subscribers, I was behind the camera working in the control room. This type of activity really makes a person wonder about the plight of people who are less fortunate than you and I.

While most of us were enjoying a turkey dinner this Thanksgiving and watching football, others were struggling just to find a meal and decent clothing. The shame is that America may be the wealthiest country in the western world and we still have poor and hungry people who we choose to ignore. Joliet Junior College is trying to solve this problem thanks to the help of some dedicated student organizations.

F.L.I.C. and Bro-Six have both sponsored food drives for the hungry while food service has had donation jars out for students to contribute to a local food distribution center. The veterans club is helping toys for tots. This may be fine and dandy, but students and faculty are not doing enough to help the hungry and homeless in the local area.

"It doesn't matter who you help, just as long as you help."

That's a shame because no one should go hungry or homeless on Christmas. Left-overs from the kitchen could be turned over to the food relief agency. Students should use the food drive barrels for something other than garbage cans. The United Way is also looking for donations from students with their collection jars around the entire school.

If students at large would be a little more considerate for their fellow man it would be a happier Christmas for all the needy families in the area.

I don't think that I'm asking for much when I ask the student body to get in the Christmas spirit. When you give, you get a good feeling knowing that you helped somebody. The person that you help could be a single mother who can't afford to get toys for her children or it could be a family who can't even afford to feed itself.

It doesn't matter who you help, just as long as you help. Instead of worrying of what you're going to get for Christmas why not worry about who isn't going to get anything this Christmas.

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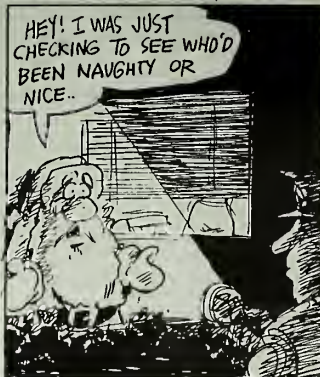
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Frankly Speaking

by Phil Frank



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JJC helps the 'under employed'

As many as 2,000 former Caterpillar Company workers who are working, but earning less than they were at Caterpillar may now be eligible for free help from Joliet Junior College.

The college has \$257,000 to spend to get "underemployed" workers into better-paying jobs and to find jobs for former Cat employees who are not working.

College officials estimate that 2,040 people are eligible for help in finding, or training for, another job and in making ends meet until another job is found. The college has placed 285 former Caterpillar employees into jobs at an average wage of \$10.69 per hour.

A change in the eligibility guidelines allows the college to help former Caterpillar workers who are employed, but who are earning 80 percent or less of their last wages at Caterpillar.

The money being used to help the former Cat workers comes from the United States Department of Labor.

Although the college first received the grant in 1985, the money could only be used to help unemployed former Cat workers to retrain and to find jobs. Former Cat employees who had taken low-paying jobs just to get by were not eligible for assistance.

That was changed, however, when officials from JJC's Institute for Economic Technology asked the Labor Department to allow retraining of former Cat workers in lower paying jobs.

"In the Spring of 1987, it became apparent that the monies available for helping former Caterpillar Company employees could not be fully utilized," according to Andrew L. Mihelich, executive director of the college's economic development programs.

"Many Caterpillar workers who had been laid off had used all of their unemployment benefits and had been forced to take minimum wage or very low-paying jobs to pay for basic food and housing," Mihelich said. "Those peo-

ple desperately needed help, but because they were employed, we couldn't help them."

At the recommendation of IET's Community Task Force, federal officials changed the guidelines in July to allow these underemployed individuals to be served. However, the college must use the money by June 30, 1988, or it will be returned to the Labor Department.

Persons can learn more about the training available to them by attending one of the informational sessions held at 10 a.m. each Monday at the Louis Joliet Renaissance Center, 214 North Ottawa Street, Joliet. Those who cannot attend a session may call Charles Dunn at (815) 727-6544, Ext. 1301 or 1312, to arrange for an evening appointment.

Information about available assistance can also be obtained by calling the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, District Lodge #55, at (815) 467-4006.

Campus Food Drive falls short

By: Michelle Winstead

Despite the efforts of campus organizations to help feed the needy, the results were somewhat disappointing. While campus organizations had sponsored food drives, the clubs involved have only received 25 cans of food.

F.I.J.C. placed food barrels in the cafeteria and on the budge. All of the barrels were filled with garbage, according to F.I.J.C. president Nomi Patten.

"I was shocked," said Patten. J.Q. Adams, head of Minority and Intercultural Affairs, attributed the unsuccessful attempt to the lack of publicity. According to Adams, who also sponsors Bro-Sis, money was collected through food services to be distributed throughout the local food pantries.

"We fail to recognize that people are suffering. Even when its own community, we don't take the time," said Adams. Adams added that he is hopeful for the next drive.

New Art Exhibit

Photographs "suggesting the strength of the connection between Illinois farmers, their families and the land" will be displayed at Joliet Junior College from December 1-18.

The 15 photos in the exhibit "Illinois Farm Families" are the work of Rhonda McKinney, interim director of Illinois State University's Art Galleries. "Illinois Farm Families" will be exhibited in the Laura A. Sprague gallery on the college's Main Campus, 1216 Houbolt Ave., Joliet.

The gallery, on the second floor of Spicer-Brown Hall (J-Building), is open to the public from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday, and from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday.

McKinney, of Normal, began taking the "Farm Family" photographs while capturing the rural landscape of Illinois with an 8-by-10 camera.

"During this time, friendly people sometimes happened along, curious about the big camera and what I might be up to... farmers," McKinney said.

"Some spoke eloquently (others were eloquently silent) about their feelings for the land, of the centrality of the land to their life," McKinney said.

"Many were threatened by the depressed farm economy. They worried about the prospect and the personal consequences of losing their land, of having to remove themselves from it."

McKinney began working to capture their spirit in multi-panel black and white photographs. The photos include families from Livingston, McLean, Woodford, DeWitt, Logan and Shelby counties.

"I wondered if it would be possible to make photographs which would suggest the strength of the connection these people have with their land," McKinney said. "Rather than count on the chance encounters with farm people, I began to seek them out."

I explained that I wanted to photograph them because there ought to be a record of them and of the way they live; that one day, if things keep going as they are, there could be virtually no farm people left, no small land owners but only farm workers living in town and driving to work in the agri-factories. There ought to be a record of these people who love the land and have lived happily on it."

Funding for McKinney's project came partly from the Illinois Arts Council, a state agency.



JJC Bookstores set dates for buying back textbooks

Joliet Junior College will give students an opportunity to sell their college textbooks at "Buy Back Days" at the Main Campus on December 15-18 and at the Romeoville Center on December 17.

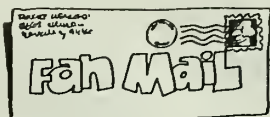
The JJC Bookstore will re-purchase books at 50 percent of the list price providing each book is in acceptable condition. The bookstore will only buy those texts that the teaching staff indicate will be used again.

The bookstore reserves the right to limit the number of books bought back on a first-come, first serve basis. Students must show valid identification in order to sell their books.

The Fall 1987 buy back times at the Main Campus, 1216 Houbolt Avenue, Joliet, from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on December 15-17 and from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on December 18. Books also may be sold at a temporary bookstore at the Romeoville Center, 755 Luther Drive, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. on December 17.

Registration is now under way for the college's Spring 1988 Semester, which opens January 11. For information, call JJC's Information Line, (815) 744-JJC1.

Books To Sell?



Dearest Wizo

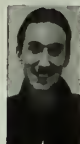
I am appalled at the lack of response to the JJC food drive. I can't believe that our student body put garbage in the food drive barrels. Is there any Christmas spirit roaming our halls? This is a time for giving-so what is the problem here. But, I would like to commend all the people who donated money in the cafeteria for the needy.

Also I would like to urge everyone to

try and donate clothes and household items to help out a faculty member whose house burned to the ground Monday last. For more information contact Tilly Jerome.

And finally, I would like to thank Mr. J.Q. Adams for doing so much for our school and community through his humanitarian efforts. He is an inspiration and role model for all of us.

Name withheld



In the Out Door

with Ray Kochevar

Well it's that time of year again. Yes, Christmas, you know, the time when every magazine comes up with some new Christmas issue (even us!) All of the stores started that funky Christmas music around turkey-day and by the time the first of December rolled around the employees were getting sick of it. People keep calling me and reminding me how many more days there are until Christmas and everyone seems to be selling those Christmas bears. I even saw some hanging in a gas station window.

But the real reason for Christmas is the kids. Remember when you were young and mom and dad would tell you some neat story of Saint Nick or Rudolph? Well, this year it's my turn. Here it is, my Santa Theory '87.

Take your little brother or sister outside on a clear crisp winter night (the fresh air helps too) and tell them that you've just found out how Santa finds out who's been naughty or nice. Look around in the sky for an airplane. You can always tell whether it's an airplane or not because unlike stars, they blink. Once you've found one, proclaim "There he is." Your younger sibling will look at you kind weird when you tell them that airplane is Rudolph in disguise. It's a believable theory because Rudolph's nose blinks too. The color doesn't matter because he is under cover. You see, Rudolph is really just a scout for Santa. He searches the whole world over, all year long, looking for kids who have been naughty or nice. When he gets full of information, he flies near a star, which is really a micro-relay station, and sends all the information back to the North Pole. Mrs. C then takes information and puts it into the toy computer which in turn tells Santa whether to give that kid a certain toy or a lump of coal. You may not believe me but little kids will, if you tell it to them with all seriousness in mind.

Speaking of coal, do you know if anyone has actually received a lump of coal in his stocking? How would you walk? Must be pretty embarrassing to get coal.

Merry Christmas

On the night before Christmas does anyone ever dream of sugar plums anymore? I don't even know what a sugar plum is! Really now, I think people our ages would rather dream of a new walkman or CD player or a new car (or even that special someone who sits in front of you in one of your classes). But sugar plums! Come on!

Most people want to know how such a large man fits down all of those chimneys. Well all I want to know is if he has a license to drive that sleigh of his. Or is it a "fake I.D."?

Now you must also remember that those rather large creatures that pull his sleigh are flying. I know what happens when a bird flies over my car, but a reindeer won't just make a mess, they could do some real damage.

What about all those parties the reindeer attend? Are they "rein dances" or what? You better start saving for next year because there are less than 390 days until Christmas '88.

B STREET

by JON CALDARA



DECEMBER

By: Julie McKeand

ATTENTION STUDENTS: Anyone who has had belongings removed from a campus locker that was not rented through Student Affairs has until December 11, 1987 to claim these belongings. You must come to the Student Affairs Office, H1001, and clearly identify your belongings. After December 11, they are no longer the responsibility of this office.

"ILLINOIS FARM FAMILIES": Dec. 1-18, by Rhonda McKinney at the Laura A. Sprague Art Gallery. 729-9020.

SEE THE CHRISTMAS STAR: Dec. 1 at the JJC Planetarium at 7:30 p.m. 729-9020.

BE A CRIME STOPPER: Call Crisis Line to report any crime. Remember Christmas is the time for crime! 722-3344.

"SLEEPING BEAUTY": Presented by the National Marionette Theatre. 729-9020.

JAZZ AT JJC: Jazz Concert, Dec. 11, at 7:30-9:30 p.m. in the theatre. 729-9020.

"HOLIDAY MAGIC FESTIVAL EVENINGS": Dec. 11-13, at Brookfield Zoo. Open in the evening, the zoo will shine in holiday lights and entertain with magicians, strolling carolers, storytellers, and costumed characters. See the polar bears and other zoo animals when they're most active, and travel through the park in the toasty warm Snowball Express shuttle. 485-0263.

"A ROARING 20'S CHRISTMAS": Don Neely's Royal Society Jazz Orchestra. Return to a musical era of timeless excitement, exuberance and charm with the Royal Society Jazz Orchestra's Christmas program, featuring yuletide music and novelty tunes from

the Roaring Twenties. Dec. 12, at 7:00 p.m. Enjoy the all you can eat "World Famous Buffet" at North Island Center before the show. At Paramount Arts Centre. Box Office (312) 896-6666. Group Sales (312) 896-7676.

"DO IT YOURSELF MESSIAH": Join or just enjoy Lyric Opera soloists and an authentic baroque orchestra conducted by Lucille Halfvarson. Dec. 13, at 3:30 p.m. at Paramount Arts Centre. (312) 853-3636.

JJC CHORAL CONCERT: Presented by the Fine Arts Department, Dec. 13, at 7-9 p.m. in the theatre. 729-9020.

FINAL EXAMS: Dec. 14-18: Study, study, study!

NURSING PINNING CEREMONY: Dec. 19, from 1-3 p.m.

FINAL EXAMS MAKEUP DAY: Dec. 21.

SEMESTER BREAK: Dec. 22-Jan. 11. JJC will be closed.

ICE SKATING: Joliet Park District is sponsoring two full days of fun and excitement at the new Multi-Purpose Center and Inwood Ice Rink. Everyone will experience a variety of fun activities including: Arts and Crafts, Cooking, Ice Skating, Tumbling, Gym Games, and a whole lot more! Bring a lunch, drink will be provided. Dec. 28-30. Registration Deadline: Dec. 14. 741-7236.

A CHRISTMAS CAROL: Dec. 20, at 3:00 p.m. The Paramount's holiday tradition continues with the Nebraska Theatre Caravan's musical version of Dickens masterpiece, featuring lavish costumes, stunning special effects, beautiful sets, lively dancing, and Scrooge!

JOLIET WEAVERS GUILD: Handwoven articles by weavers from Will, Cook, and Dupage counties. 729-9020.

Nurses Association: a social club

By: Judy Lowery

When Susie decided she wanted to be a nurse, she knew it would be a long, hard road - hours of study plus time spent on clinical experience at the hospital. But with a class load of Human Anatomy and Physiology, Abnormal Psychology and Practicum in Nursing, it was even more than she had anticipated. Sometimes she didn't think she would make it through - that's when she was thankful for the Nursing Student Organization. Although Susie isn't a real JJC student, she exemplifies many who are.

The N.S.O. provides that morale boost and social break from the pressure that the pursuit of an Associate Degree in Nursing brings.

"We're more like a support group," said Jenni Stipen, Club President. "We're a social club. We try to break up the monotony and pressure of constant studying."

The club was formed to allow the students to get to know each other more personally and to get to know their teachers.

"It's hard to interact on a personal

level when you only see other people in the classroom. We want our students to get to know one another and be able to encourage each other. It's so easy to come to class and remain unnoticed, we want to help with problems," Stipen said.

The nursing faculty is invited to all the club's parties and events. This gives the students a "chance to find out more about their teachers' personal lives and experiences, like where they went to school and other things they've been involved in."

Being enrolled in the JJC nursing program makes you an automatic member of the N.S.O. The club has a coffee and donut reception at the beginning of each semester for all new nursing students. The club is self-sustaining. Members do not pay any annual dues or fees, all money is raised by various activities throughout the year.

This semester's fundraisers have included a bake sale, sweatshirt order, and selling of chances to win a weekend for two at The Wagon Wheel Resort in Rockton, Ill. as first prize.



HOLIDAY FASHIONS

Upper left: A decorative sleigh sets the stage for a special night on the town for Julie and Bob. Upper right: Our editor: In Heaven. Center left: Sandy and Doug flash those season smiles. Center right: Rita and John are ready to see what Santa brought. Lower left: We wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year. (l to r) Ed Wisniewski, Sandy Johnson, Diane Larkin, Doug Miller, Rita Kochevar, Jennifer Flint, and Ray Kochevar. (Front row, l to r) Julie McKeand, Bob Loewe, Jerry Dorris, John Buell and Elaine Paszyna.



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Records In Review: Christmas Albums

By: Mark Palmiter

REM

DOCUMENT

In this world of speed metal, synth-pop, and Barry Manilow it is nice to see that one group of people still understand what music is all about, MUSIC. Since their conceptions a few years back, the simple musical sensibility of this band has served as a template for the rest of the music industry to conform to. It appears, that the record buying public has recognized this, and is now the movement towards credibility in music.

For those of you who have spent the last few years in a cave I guess I am obligated to tell you exactly who REM is. In a physical sense, REM is Peter Buck's guitar, Michael Sipe's voice, Bill Berry's percussion, and Mike Mills' bass. In a more broad sense, REM is a much needed musical return to basics. These basics combine in an almost predetermined manner to give America and the world a sense of reality and unified purpose.

I don't wish to make these four mortals out to be ivory clad gods or even anything near as dramatic, but it seems that a band like REM is long overdue.

Enough with the testaments to REM's sainthood, let's talk about the record. DOCUMENT is quite an album. The record buying public has certainly made a good choice as to the particular REM album which they have decided to accept as their own. This album has already been heralded by a strong single "The One I Love", and the rest of DOCUMENT does more than enough to match the quality of the single.

I recommend DOCUMENT to anyone either looking for some good sensible music or another excellent REM album. You'll find it all right here.

ICE HOUSE

MAN OF COLOURS

Can you believe that the band which first spear-headed the early 80's Australian invasion, has just now had its first top 40 single? For years, the only major impact on the music industry was that it was the first musical "find" to come from the kangaroo continent since Olivia Newton John and the Bee Gees. Now, with a hit single on the charts and a fresh new album, Ice House has arrived, but at what cost?

Ice House used to be a band with integrity. Their combination Peter Gabriel/Gary Neuman sound held immense promise as the elixir needed to awaken the long dead progressive giant, but in hopes of gaining the much sought after hit record, Ice House may have given up its edge.

With the release of MAN OF COLOURS, Ice House has finally given the general music buying public exactly what it wanted, a meaningless pop-rock monument. On their hit single "You Gotta Be Crazy" their is an almost primitive t.v.ish charm but little along the lines of actual depth. Dance tunes "My Obsession" and "Nothing Too Serious" may appeal to someone in search of a couple of up dance tracks.

Possibly the most appealing traits of MAN OF COLOURS are the slow melodic title track and a nice message song "Heartbreak Kid".

A longtime fan of Ice House may be disappointed with this MAN OF COLOURS but it wouldn't be a bad buy for a novice.

BOY GEORGE

SOLD

George boy turned out not to be that clean little child that he had tried to lead us to believe. It's really not such a big deal. I mean, this is such hypocrisy. We live in a society where supreme court judges are forgiven for smoking marijuana, so why can't everyone just let a pop star put his heroin past behind him. I'm not condoning the act, it's just that if a man (or in Georges case half-man) wants to reform, let him!

SOLD has come off much the same way that most of Boy George's other projects, mostly. George's voice lends itself rather readily to his toned-down music choice. On SOLD George handles some rather tough reading lyrics in "We Have The Right" and "To Be Reborn" with the soft spoken style which has become his trademark, and does a more than adequate job on his cover of the reggae hit "Everything I Own". In addition to these songs, George delivers an almost confessional tribute to a fellow musician/addict who recently died with "Little Ghost".

It is remarkable that after all of the turmoil which has surrounded Boy George in the past year, that he is already up to a comeback. SOLD is going to catapult George back to the top, but right now halfway is as far as he is ready for.

MICK JAGGER

PRIMITIVE COOL

It has happened! He told us that it never would, but it did. That lewd, crude, and especially rude front man of the 60's/70's most deliciously slimy British invader has actually gone and matured. This sudden change may come as a bitter pill to swallow for early fans of rock music's adolescent, but just the same PRIMITIVE COOL stands as a monument to the new found adulthood of one Mick Jagger.

Not since the Rolling Stones' late 70s release of "SOME GIRLS" has Jagger been associated with anything even close to being a personal reflection. Maybe the most significant difference between PRIMITIVE COOL and any other projects that Jagger has worked on before is that the attitudes and emotions expressed on this new album both musically and lyrically sharply contrast anything the Rolling Stones have ever touched upon during their 25+ year existence. Believe it or not folks, Mick Jagger's life may consist of a little more than just one continuous motel party.

With PRIMITIVE COOL Jagger exposes a responsible side of himself that few other than Keith Richards (Jagger's oldest friend and fellow Stone) have ever seen. The music on this album expresses this "responsible" side with an eloquence fans haven't heard in years. The songs which showcase this new found responsibility best, are "War Baby" and "Primitive Cool" in which he begins to envision the futures of his children and then resolves that the situation is best left to them (typical rock-n-roll daddy style). BRAVO! Mick Jagger has opened up a new chapter in his life.



Art in the 'Buff'

By: Bob Loewe

Since the last issue of *The Blazer* came out, a number of questions like, "Who would do that?" or "What kind of class needs naked people in it?" have been asked about an advertisement offering to pay \$10.00 an hour for nude models and \$5.00 an hour for clothed models.

"I've heard all the comments, and they make me crack up," says Lisa, a nude model. "People think that art students are these crazy people who long hair and dirty clothes who watch naked women run around. That isn't even close to what it's like. The art students are all just regular people who have a talent for drawing. The models are regular people who get paid to sit perfectly still."

When asked if she had any bad experiences due to her modeling, Lisa replies, "My muscles/cramp up if I sit still for more than 45 minutes." She has never had any problems with the students. "It's a very professional atmosphere," she says. "I think if there were even a student who made nude comments or something, he would probably be thrown out by the other students."

"A lot of the models we use are not nude," comments Joy Thompson, the Life Drawing instructor.

"Clothed models, as they are called, wear swimsuits or shorts while modeling. When you see a nude model, everyone knows it's part of the class," claims Darrel Johnson, an art major. "You have to have a mature attitude." "The first time I was in a nude modeling class, I was nervous, fifteen minutes later, I was so involved in drawing the three dimensional drawing I completely forgot about my nervousness," Thompson relates.

Mary Beth Mueller confesses to being embarrassed at first. "It's like drawing a still life—only a lot harder," Mueller adds. "Before I took the class, I would have been shocked at seeing a person nude, now it's just a person."

The Life Drawing class is looking for people of all ages and body types who are comfortable with their bodies to be models.

Students taking Life Drawing are required to study anatomy so they have a better idea of bone and muscle structure.

Jazz and Good Times

By: Cindy Reynolds

Like jazz? If you do, then the JJC Jazz Band has something in store for you. This year's semi-annual concert, to be held on Friday, December 11 at 7:30 p.m. will feature a variety of hits ranging from swing to rhythm and blues.

The band, which is a regular credited class, practices many different styles representing all types of jazz including songs from Count Basie, Duke Ellington and Benny Rich.

With knowledge of its success, the JJC Jazz Band has traveled to many distant locations such as Kansas, Florida, and other states. The often received invitations to perform at Jazz Festivals. Recently, the 1984 Worlds Fair was included in their long list of accredited accomplishments.

The band was first organized 40 years ago by Hal Delinger. The current sponsor and chairman of the Department became involved when Bill Kraus, the former Department chairman, asked Louis to fill in for his lead trumpet player. Louis eventually took over as director of the band. "It's a real upbeat thing," Louis said, "It's a high energy group and we have lots of fun."

Anyone who likes jazz and enjoys playing is invited to audition. "It is not a closed group," he stated. There are re-auditions every semester and a piano is needed right now. An average of 18-22 students are in the class playing instruments such as the saxophone, trombone, trumpet, piano, drums, guitar. A bass player is optional and the number of instruments in the class fluctuates within each group.

The upcoming concert promises to be very enjoyable for all.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Candlelight dinners add to holiday mood

By: Dave Dowell

Christmas is getting close. Have you thought about that special person? Candlelight dinners are the perfect setting for a romantic evening.

The dinner consists of a six course meal. You are first gracefully served an appetizer, followed by a soup of your choice. Ample time is given to enjoy your food before the salad is served. Depending on the entree chosen, you have a different choice of soup and salad. After an enjoyable salad, the sorbet is served.

The sorbet changes with each different meal and cleanses your taste buds so the main course is enjoyable. The main course is then prepared at the tableside. Such entrees as the Steak Diane, are flamed at your tableside with cognac and finished to with shallots, mushrooms, and demi glaze.

The Steak Diane is served with Leipziger Allerlei (mixed vegetables) and Kartoffel Knoedel (potato pancakes), or vegetables and potatoes of your choice. The excellently prepared meal is then ended with a delicious dessert of your choosing.

Allow yourself about 2 hours to enjoy your dinner. Prices are generally \$15 per person which includes everything.

Candlelight dinners are prepared and served by students of Joliet Junior College Culinary Arts Program under the direction and supervision of chef Wolfram Huber. Dinners are served every Thursday, Friday, and Saturday when classes are in session. The Candlelight dinners are served at the Joliet Renaissance Center, 214 North Ottawa Street, Joliet.

With the Christmas holidays approaching, a gift certificate would be a generous gift idea.



Culinary Arts student Uedelhofen Burke prepares porkchops. Photo by Dave Dowell.



Culinary Arts Student Rolan Francisco prepares Steak Diane flamed at the Tableside. Photo by Dave Dowell.



French Bread and Italian Wine, one of the many entrees. Photo by Dave Dowell.



Candlelight dinners also on Saturdays

The students and staff of Joliet Junior College are offering another night of "Candlelight Dinners" at the Joliet Renaissance Center in Joliet.

Beginning on Saturday, November 14, the dinners will be served from 6 p.m. on Saturdays. The dinners were previously offered only on Thursday and Friday evenings at the Renaissance Center, 214 North Ottawa Street, Joliet.

The dinners are prepared and served as an instructional experience for students in the college's award-winning Culinary Arts Department.

Through December 19, the Candlelight Dinner menu will feature

holiday items from around the world. The menu includes a Christmas Eve salad from Canada or a Boston lettuce with sour cream dressing from Austria. Main course selections include hen stuffed with wild rice and juniper sauce from the United States, Christmas ham with raisin sauce from the Sweden, swordfish grille from Mexico, buttsteak saute grand veneur with chestnut puree from Russia or lamb shish kebab with rice pilaf from Greece.

Reservations are suggested and may be made by calling the Renaissance Center at (815) 727-6654.



Wolfram Huber, Culinary Arts Instructor, observes Dawn Walker, Culinary Arts Student, prepare a candlelight dinner. Photo courtesy of Bob McDonald.

Sports News

By: Elaine Paszyna

This being our last issue for the semester there are a few items that have come to my attention that I thought were worth mentioning as far as the Joliet Junior College Athletic Department is concerned.

The men's and women's basketball teams have already started their season and need our support. I realize that with exams coming up many of us will be hitting the books, but after the exams have been taken, over Christmas break, you should come and see a few games. Admission is free with a JJC i.d.

On Tuesday December 22, the men's basketball team battles Wright College here at JJC at 7 p.m. At 1 p.m. the Lady Wolves take on Morton College on Saturday January 2 at home.

On Tuesday November 17, a live video teleconference on alcohol and substance abuse featuring sports figures was held at JJC.

Much to my surprise, I found out that only a handful, about ten people showed up. It is a shame, I feel, to see programs like these get started and brought here to the college only to see a low turnout for such a worthwhile program. Not only does our sports department need our support, but all the other school activities as well.

After talking with Jeff Seymour, the women's head basketball coach here at JJC, and Sue DeCreane, I was not alone in taking this stand. As Sue told me, "We need fans." Is there anyone out there willing to show their support?

Finally, JJC recently honored athletes who participated in the fall sports this past season.

Chris Cinkovich of Joliet and Michele Wilks of Coal City comprised the college's women's tennis team, coached by Susan Carey Stephenson.

Each girl worked for individual records of 6 wins and 1 loss in first singles and first doubles.

"This needs to be recognized because JJC had a predetermined win-loss record of 0-7 in the beginning of the season," Stephenson said.

Claudette Perry presented awards to each girl on the cheerleading squad. Honored were Tonya Foster, Joliet; Diana Nelson, Morris; Lisa Ghilino, Mazon; Melissa Rice, Mazon; Winifer Hurt, Joliet; Pam Morgan, Bolingbrook; Kim Miller, Joliet; and Mary Miller, Joliet.

Basketball wins with confidence

By: Carl Ackerman

Joliet Junior College men's basketball team has jumped off to a 2-2 start, with one of those wins coming from the recent Thanksgiving Tournament.

In the game against Michigan Glen Oaks, the Wolves won impressively 78-76 as freshman Andy Carlson netted two free throws with only 16 seconds left. "We thought we could run them, and we did," said Coach Phil Staley. The main reason for winning was the team's confidence, he added.

On Thanksgiving Day, JJC faced Lincoln in the championship tournament game. This game was quite different from the last as the Wolves were blown out 104-58. "We came out flat, tried to come back, but soon lost our confidence," said Staley. "However, Lincoln is probably one of the best teams in the state."

The other JJC victory was against Blackhawk, a 91-71 triumph. However Staley admitted, "We did not have enough control in the game. There were too many turnovers, too much pressure, and some offensive problems."

These problems may have carried on to the Wolves next game at Lake County, a 92-70 loss in which the Wolves

started off slowly with poor execution, offense and rebounding said Staley.

So far Coach Staley says his team is doing "pretty well" and he is pleased with the players performance. "In the two games we lost, everybody worked as hard as they could," said Staley.

Some defensive areas needing improvements include more pressure on the ball and more help towards one another. Offensively the Wolves need to use better shot selection by not forcing shots and to control the game tempo.

Coach Staley believes the team's biggest problem is more mental than physical. "We must develop confidence, and then we will be in good shape," said Staley.

Compared to last years 1-27 team, this years team is much better with more ability in quickness and shooting.

According to Staley, competition has been higher than expected. How the team did in last weeks games should determine the format for the rest of the season, added Staley.

Of the eight teams in the conference, which is perhaps the toughest in the state, DuPage, Triton, Illinois Valley or Morris have the best chance of capturing first place.

Volleyball Banquet Held

By: David Mann

Coach Christine Beltzhoover and her team recently held an awards banquet honoring the volleyball players.

Kim Orasco received the Most Valuable Player award for Joliet Junior College along with being selected First Team All-Conference and All Regional Tournament Team.

Patty Kruger was selected to the All Star Team and was named Second Team All-Conference. Receiving Honorable Mention All-conference was Katie Flanigan.

Coach Beltzhoover stated that, "Kim and Patty will really be missed next year, not only because of their play, but for their leadership abilities."

Beltzhoover will have seven players returning next year: Katie Flanigan, Erin Munley, Susie Majchrzak, Betsy Giampardo, and Debra DiBenedicti, plus two new recruits to try and improve on this year's 17-15-6 record.

In other volleyball news, the Uno Volleyball Club tryouts for its four teams on Sunday, November 15.

Of the 100 hopefuls, 48 were selected to make up the four teams that the club sponsors. The girls have been practicing three nights a week for two hours, including 45 minutes on weights.

The Club's season will open in late January and continue to run through the end of July.



Athletes Honored

By: Carl Ackerman

Four Joliet Junior College football players were placed on the All-Conference Team. Four JJC students were selected to the North Central Community College All-Conference Football Team, and many others were given additional awards. They include the following: Eric Thorsen—offensive guard—All-Conference, MVP for offense; Rod Heard—defensive back—All-Conference; Jeff Ogiego—punter—All-Conference; Tim Adkisson—nose guard—second team selection, MVP for defense, coaches award for leadership and dedication; Curtis Washington—defensive back—second team selection; Mike Waite—defensive back—second team selection, most valuable defensive back; Marty Gebhardt—defensive end—honorable mention; Dan Fennell—defensive lineman—honorable mention; and Bryan Smith—wide receiver—honorable mention, most valuable offensive back.

Lady Wolves 2 -0

By: Elaine Paszyna

On Saturday November 21 at College of Lake County the Lady Wolves won the first season game by a score of 54-38. One week later, they improved their record to 2-0 by defeating Black Hawk College 55-51.

Even though the team is off to a fine start, first year head coach Jeff Seymour says, "This could be the toughest coaching job I've had. I had to sell the program to get the girls to come out."

Seymour who previously coached for two years at Lakeland College in Sheboygan Wisconsin, a NAJ Division II school and prior to that for four years at Germantown Washington High School, states, "the program itself needs and upmost and more participation."

With only six girls on the team no

recruiting was involved. All came in on their own, showing a lot of talent. Team strengths include successful rebounding and a strong team defense.

According to Seymour, sophomore returnee Sue DeCreane, a guard, is, "an ideal representative, top-notch student, dedicated and committed."

DeCreane, who plans on attending ISU in the fall of 1988, said, "this year's team has more height, and better ball handling compared to last year's team."

Seymour also added, "women's sports is a great opportunity at the junior college level, but you have a hard time building the program in getting the athletes in."

The remaining team members include Sandy Russell, guard; Krista Del Sasso, guard; Ana Wray, front; Cindi Sanders, front; and Joanne Miller, front.

Cheeeerrrrrrrleading

By: David Mann

cheerleading experience.

The Cheerleading squads for football and basketball are being coached by Claudette Perry this year with the help of assistants Yvette O'Leary and Derunzia Foster.

There were five cheerleaders for football this year. The five, Captain Kim Miller, Mary Miller, Tonya Foster, Lisa Ghilino, and Melissa Rice, were chosen out of a total of 15 hopefuls.

The selection of these girls were based on their attitudes and previous

the cheerleaders for the current basketball season are Tonya Foster, Melissa Rice, Lisa Ghilino, Ann Quigley and Daphne Sheppard.

Cheer Perry stated, "The cheerleaders for basketball were selected mostly on attitude because with the season being so long, the girls have to have a good attitude to stick with it so long."

Perry added, "With this being my first year here, we're just getting started. While I'm here I want cheerleading to be as popular as the other sports offered."